

PLAN FOR INVITEES TO RESEARCH DISSEMINATION EVENT. Dundee 17th January 2024

Witness to Harm; Holding to Account: Improving patient, family and colleague witnesses' experiences of Fitness to Practise proceedings: A mixed methods study

Aim: To debate and discuss the findings of a unique study relevant to public expectations and experience of social work and social care and healthcare fitness to practise regulatory processes in the UK

Invitees: People with lived experience, social work & care regulators, Professional Standards Authority and government policy advisers, employers, regulatory lawyers, academics.

Venue: The Juniper auditorium, V & A Dundee, 1 Riverside Esplanade, Dundee DD1 4EZ

Arrival and registration in person and online from 10.15-10.30. Refreshments available.

Time	Title	Presenter
10.30-10.40	Welcome and introductions	Richard West, Prof. Sara Ryan,
10.40-10.50	Overview of the research	Prof. Louise Wallace
10.50-11.10	Regulator information for the public	
11.10-11.25	Break	
10.25-11.50	How is witness engagement reflected in the determinations of harm cases (a focus on Scottish Social Services Council cases)	Prof. Rosalind Searle
11.50-12.15	Witness vulnerability and special measures	Dr Annie Sorbie
12.15-01.00	Lunch	
01.00-02.10	Witness experience- in hearings/ cross examination	Ass. Prof. Gemma Hughes, Dr Francesca Ribenfors, Prof. Rosalind Searle, Prof. Sara Ryan
2.10-2.50	Plenary session including presentation by Dr Sonia A Petersen (NES), commentary by Dr Erica Bowen (Forensic Psychologist, project adviser), group discussions and feedback	Dr Sonia A Petersen, Dr Erica Bowen
2.50-03.00	Break and refreshments	
3.00-3.20	Overview of public free online project resources	Dr Gemma Ryan-Blackwell, Dr Sharif Haider, Prof. Sara Ryan
3.20-3.30	Finale and next steps	Richard West, Professors Louise Wallace & Sara Ryan
3.30-4.00	An opportunity for further informal discussion	All

Posters

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