# **Information Day**

### for survivors



## This event is for victims/survivors who experienced abuse or neglect as a child while living 'in care'.

For many years, there has been considerable campaigning on behalf of those who experienced abuse or neglect as children in care in Scotland, and for those who feel their time in care had a lasting negative impact. Progress has led to a range of initiatives in Scotland that allow people with care experience to have their time and treatment in care acknowledged and their needs supported; to be listened to without judgment, to have their experiences investigated thoroughly, and/or be able to access support that may go some way to counter the negative impact of treatment in care.

Everyone is different and every response is different and so there are choices available to ensure people get involved in the way that is best for them. However, we recognise it can all be pretty confusing.

#### What's it about?

A number of organisations will come together under the one roof to provide information on what they do, and explain how they can help you or how you can take part. These organisations are already working with in care survivors.

You might have questions around reporting abuse, the legal system, getting your voice heard, compensation, or what support is out there for you.

This is an information day, so time to discuss personal situations will be limited. However, staff will be happy to arrange to have private discussions at another time to discuss your particular circumstances if that is what you decide you want to do.

#### The detail

#### Where:

Strathclyde Suite, Glasgow Royal Concert Hall

#### When:

Tuesday 22 August 2017, 11am to 3.30pm

Cost:

FREE

#### The organisations taking part are:

- National Confidential Forum
- Future Pathways (In Care Survivor Support Fund)
- Scottish Government
- Scottish Child Abuse Inquiry

- Police Scotland
- Crown Office & Procurator Fiscal Service
- CELCIS (Centre for Excellence for Looked After Children in Scotland)
- Citizens Advice Scotland

#### Do I need to register?

We need an idea of numbers so we can make sure there's enough space and enough food!

If you plan to come along please email celcis.learning@strath.ac.uk or phone 0131 244 2507 and let us know. You only need to tell us your first name.

#### Can I bring someone with me?

Yes, you can bring a support worker or a friend or family member – just let us know when you register.

#### Who is organising this?

Survivors on the InterAction Action Plan Review Group, Scottish Government and CELCIS have worked together to organise this Information Day open to all 'in care' survivors.



#### Where is it?

The Glasgow Royal Concert Hall is opposite Buchanan Street bus station and near Queen Street train station. Access is from Killermont Street.

There's full disabled access and wheelchairs are available on request for use while you're there. There will be staff there to show you where to go.



#### How much does it cost?

The event is free. We'll provide lunch as well as teas and coffees throughout the day. We can also pay travel costs for you and your support worker, family member or friend - just bring your receipt - we'll help you with this on the day.

#### What if I have more questions?

Email us on <u>celcis.learning@strath.ac.uk</u> or call on 0131 244 2507 if you have any questions.