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Feedback from past events

Practice Educator Forum, 26th June



Over 60 Practice Educators from across the CMSWTP came together to share ideas, practice and learn from one another. The sessions included an introduction to the CMSWTP, expectations of student social workers on their placements, how to support a student social worker and how the CMSWTP can support Practice Educators across the partnership.

The engagement with the activities was fantastic, so thank you again to all who attended and contributed.

Feedback about the day included:

- “This has increased my enthusiasm to take on another student”
- “Encouraged by the fact that the Partnership is in existence and functioning and PEs can meet and develop practice”
- It gave a positive feeling of being supported and valued and less isolated”

Ready to Practice, 9th July

Thanks to all who attended the Ready to Practice workshop. All of the feedback has been taken by the HEIs and an overview will be produced to raise awareness of Ready to Practice.

Teaching Practitioner Status Training Programme, June



Congratulations to the first cohort of Cheshire and Merseyside Social Working Teaching Practitioners!

The programme comprised a series of half-day workshops that focused on key subjects/issues that face individuals who are new to teaching in higher education including those in roles where supporting learning is a small part of their work. The workshops provided an opportunity to discuss experiences, share ideas and gain some information about a range of techniques that may help in teaching. Workshops included; Planning for Learning, Microteaching Preparation, Working with Large Groups, Small Group Teaching, Introduction to Assessment and Marking, and Microteaching.

Student Forum, 20th June

The second Student Forum took place, with discussions on recall days/skills development days, and career next steps. Discussions are commencing on how to engage the next intake of Student Social Workers.

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Partnership updates

Highlights from the Interim Evaluation

The Interim Evaluation was received May 2019. Many positives were identified including:

- Current structure
- Comprehensive suite of management tools, policies and processes in place
- Genuine partnership working
- Consistency and rigour to the admissions process with a refined process
- Recruitment Event
- Academics into Practice
- Practitioners into HEI's
- Teacher Practitioner training and status
- Career Pathway Opportunities Framework
- Benefit of having a PM

'The policy and process infrastructure is a good basis for future working, which (as long as partners adhere to agreements) will bring more consistency and transparency to the partnership activity'

'Progress has been made across all work streams'

'The employed staff in the partnership have brought pace, clarity and rigor to strategic and implementation planning, communications, delivery of activity and progress reporting'

'There are some early examples of improved approaches'

A number of things for the partnership to review, confirm or consider were also identified. These included current payments to SU to ensure their contribution at the Partnership Board, further improving whole organization commitment e.g. strategic decision makers present at meetings, equal engagement of partners, partners cascading info, and partners only agreeing to something if can deliver on it.

The workshops and focus groups for the final evaluation of the partnership will take place 14th – 17th October 2019.

Your Partnership needs you!

We would really appreciate your contributions to the following sections of the Newsletter:

- Partner Introduction/Spotlight
- Good News Stories
- Other Topics

Please contact

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Upcoming events

To find out more or to register for any of the CMSWT events below, visit teachingpartnership.org/events

CMSWTP Research Conference - Friday 20th September 2019

Registration is open for our first Research Conference. It is aimed at all Teaching Partnership practitioners (including ASYE's), Academics and Senior Managers.

CMSWTP Practice Educator Forum – Wednesday 13th November 2019

Sign up is now open for the second Practice Educator Forum. The agenda will be announced soon, so keep checking the website for details.

National Teaching Partnership Conference – Thursday 14th November

Save the date for the National Teaching Partnership Conference. The topics of sustainability, research and working within Teaching Partnerships will be covered with a variety of sessions running throughout the day. Registration will open in September so please keep checking back for further updates.

CMSWTP Social Worker Awards – Thursday 19th March 2020, 13:00 – 16:30, Liverpool Town Hall

The Cheshire and Merseyside Social Work Teaching Partnership will be hosting an awards ceremony to celebrate and recognise excellence in Social Work within the CMSWTP, and to promote the work of individuals and teams within the Social Work profession. Applications will be opening soon on our website. Look out for updates on our twitter account – look for #CMSWTPAwards2020

Partner Events

ACEs through the life course

A conference about adverse childhood experiences

Join the PSS Parent and Baby Wellness Service, a range of other professionals and a panel of expert speakers in the field for an opportunity to work together towards the aim of giving every child the best possible start in life.

Wednesday 11 September 2019
09.00 am - 4.30 pm at Liverpool Hope University Creative Campus

Register your interest:

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