

WORKSHOP

Engage: An Intercultural Approach

Integrated Child & Family Engagement: Developing an Intercultural Approach

15 June 2018, 9.30 am - 17.00 pm

This innovative, one-day workshop, will explore the benefits an intercultural perspective brings to the field of integrated child and family engagement.

The course will provide delegates with an opportunity to engage in creative reflection, covering a wide range of interdisciplinary cultural and intercultural theories and concepts.

The course will adopt an interdisciplinary approach, combining theoretical perspectives, with case studies, as well as practical practitioner-focused competencies and tools.

Workshop objectives: how will the workshop benefit you?

Adopting an intercultural approach provides two high-level benefits; firstly, the capacity to improve cultural understanding and, secondly, the opportunity to galvanise and celebrate cultural diversity. Both, ideally, maximise diversity advantage. These are intrinsic requirements behind effective engagement. Throughout the workshop, intercultural benefits will be explored and interwoven within the following thematic areas:

Awareness and knowledge:

- reflection, awareness and celebration of your own cultural background and cultural traditions
- understanding of cultural and intercultural concepts and perspectives
- insights into cultural theories relating to child and family development
- add layers of knowledge to your understanding of service users and user communities
- acquire a depth of cultural awareness of your own colleagues, the people you are working with and the wider community

Skills and competencies:

- build confidence and competency to celebrate awareness and analysis of your personal cultural background
- acquire a portfolio of practical and sector specific intercultural skills, tools and techniques, within the following parameters:
 - individual/personal competencies
 - collective/group level competencies
 - organisational focused competencies
- enhancing professional practitioner competencies and capabilities
- learning from global intercultural case studies

Engagement and delivery:

- adding value; mapping the operational benefits an intercultural advantage offers the wider child and family engagement sector, most notably within the following areas:-
 - improve consultation and engagement initiatives and interventions
 - critically review and evaluate existing delivery programmes and delivery initiatives
 - adapt and develop culturally appropriate delivery options
 - address effective accountability, through effective partnership and stakeholder relationships
- add valuable layers to support organisational performance and statutory compliance (evidence of knowledge, consultation, adaptation, appropriate delivery and assessment)

Workshop content: what will the workshop cover?

Structured around four units, the workshop will cover the following themes:

Unit 1} Engagement: reflection upon contemporary issues and challenges

- mapping the challenges facing integrated child and family engagement workers
- undertaking effective community consultation and engagement
- addressing and, meeting, the needs of service users

Unit 2} Intercultural theories: a review of interdisciplinary intercultural theoretical perspectives

- intercultural concepts and perspectives
- contemporary cultural concepts and insights
- family engagement and child development cultural theories
- culture and gender: contemporary reflections and debates
- global cultural typologies
- cultural transitions: integration, acculturation and change

Unit 3} Intercultural competencies: practical cultural and intercultural competencies

- intercultural competencies: mapping skills, tools and techniques within the following framework:
 - individual/personal competencies
 - collective/group competencies
 - organisational competencies
- professional practitioner competencies and capabilities
- intercultural – family engagement - case studies

Unit 4} Intercultural practice: exploring the alignment of child & family engagement practice with intercultural intentionality

- leading and managing engagement programmes
- demographic and community mapping
- community engagement and consultation
- designing and developing service delivery provision and engagement interventions
- monitoring, evaluation and assessment
- performance and statutory compliance

Target audience: who is the workshop aimed at?

This bespoke workshop is targeted at child and family engagement personnel and, staff managing frontline engagement personnel and practitioners, working across the following sectors and domains:

Family Engagement Sector		
Front line staff working with:	Frontline staff working in:	Frontline staff, performing the following roles:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ young children and families ▪ girls and young women ▪ boys and young men ▪ adult men ▪ parents (including carers and families) ▪ grandparents and extended family networks ▪ carers and care givers ▪ members of minority community groups ▪ members of new migrant community groups 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ early years settings ▪ maintained nursery schools ▪ children's centres ▪ play centres ▪ schools (reception, nursery and secondary education providers) ▪ supplementary educational providers ▪ social care services ▪ health care services ▪ targeted service providers ▪ family support services ▪ community organisations ▪ faith based organisations ▪ charitable and not-for-profit organisations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ family engagement workers ▪ family support workers ▪ parental involvement workers ▪ local authority social care support staff ▪ health care workers, delivering frontline family engagement services ▪ community workers and community development workers, delivering frontline family engagement services ▪ charitable workers, delivering frontline family engagement services ▪ faith based workers, delivering frontline family engagement services

Interact: Centre for Intercultural Learning & Action

Interact is an organisation dedicated to promoting and supporting intercultural development through:-

- promoting interdisciplinary intercultural thinking, perspectives and insights
- delivering intercultural education and training
- undertaking interdisciplinary research and analysis, promoting intercultural dialogue and discourse
- delivering strategic and operational intercultural support; namely, consultancy support, advice and information
- promoting and implementing cultural intelligence and intercultural competencies within community, educational, public and private organisations

Workshop - practical arrangements:

The workshop is an innovative pilot project and, as such, will charge a minimal administration fee of £15.00 per delegate.

Basic catering and refreshments will be provided.

Dates and times

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Workshop booking

Places are limited – booking essential

Requests for further information please contact: interact.information@gmail.com

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Venue details

Horsforth Children's Centre

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