



**Practice Education Team Newsletter**  
**August 2019**

Another very sunny Hello again to all our colleagues in the region. I am sure it is not just our team who have been holding up the fort during the summer months, but it does seem decidedly quieter than it has been in the months leading up to August. This newsletter is also a little later than planned but for a very good reason-to announce the release of our survey into the careers of Practice Educators-read on to the next page to find out how you can contribute.

We do hope you have had some time off to enjoy whatever it is that floats your boat and feeds into your wellbeing, be it on a Wednesday or not? We have each had some time out to do just that, but have also been spending a significant amount of time preparing workshops and learning programmes. We have a very busy month ahead, starting with the new OnSite Supervisor programme for non social work qualified supervisors on 3 September, followed by the programme for social work supervisors on 4 September. And that's just to kick-start the month. There is still space on both programmes for anyone who may have missed previous publicity-get in touch with me, Sarah or Josie if you'd like to know more!

There will be workshops on every week throughout September, culminating in the Emotional Wellbeing Conference on 27th. As this co-incides with the Macmillan Coffee Morning and we know how eating good things can affect our sense of wellbeing, we will be selling some of the sweet (and healthy) stuff at the conference in order to support this cause. So we would welcome any contributions in the form of cakes or other tempting treats, which can be

sold-bring your cakes and your money to promote the 'feel good factor' that comes from eating whatever it is that makes **you** feel good!



Our students will be returning to university from 9 September and the new cohort starting on the 16th, so we will have a whole new group of enthusiastic learners to welcome into our partnership.

BASW have published the refreshed PEPS and we will be working closely with them to plan our implementation of the standards in the region. There will be more to report in early September, but in the meantime you can read the document here

<https://www.basw.co.uk/resources/basw-england-practice-educator-professional-standards-social-work-peps-refresh-2019> to see how the changes may affect you.

There are a number of other conferences coming up in the autumn, some of which we will be attending so can report back, but do also investigate for yourselves:

JUSWEC in Manchester on 9 and 10 September

GAPS (*Group for the Advancement of Psychodynamics and Psychotherapy in Social Work*) in Sheffield on 4 October

Community Care Live in London 15 and 16 October

BASW in Leeds on 17 (students) and 18 October



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We are very grateful for the blogs we have so far and welcome more from colleagues and students.

We are super-excited to let you know that our long-awaited research into the careers of Practice Educators is being launched via an online survey, in the first instance. This is a really important piece of work which is long overdue, so we would be very grateful for all responses. The survey shouldn't take more than about 30 minutes to complete and can be found here:

<https://kingston.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/careers-of-practice-educators>

If you would then like to participate in a face-to-face interview, please follow the instructions to indicate that.

That is it from us this month-short but sweet! I am sure we will have much more to report on in the next edition.

Dale, Paul, Sarah and Josie