

Tuesday 29 September – Friday 9 October

The Extraordinary Ordinary

We know the importance of intentionally and consistently using little or seemingly ordinary things to support healing and development in children and young people's lives over time, and inspired by a focus on the strong, positive roles we can provide for children in care, we are turning our focus to the power of the everyday.

Programme

We're delighted to share with you the programme for #SIRCC2020 Online.

We're bringing together updates, webinars, reflective points, practical resources, and so much more over two weeks starting on Tuesday 29 September, in a flexible way that will work for you.

We want to engage with, inspire, and reflect with the residential child care community.

We'll be posting new content and offering online engagement daily, in short bitesize chunks - and all of it is FREE! There's no need to register, except for the webinars, discussion, and workshop.

Follow us on Twitter or Facebook to keep up to date with what's happening beforehand and to join in the discussions during the two weeks. We'll be collating everything onto the CELCIS website as we go, so you can dip in and out of content. Webinars will be available to view after the event.

At a glance

	T - 29/9	W - 30/9	T - 1/10	F 2/10
	10:00am Welcome to #SIRCC2020 Online (video) Jim Anglin: It must be the blue cheese? (Online material with video clips)	10-30am – 12 noon 'Language' A virtual workshop co-produced by the FYI Group (workshop) *	10:00-11:00am The extraordinary ordinary Conversations (webinar) *	How did we do? (online poll) Summary of week one (video)
M - 5/10	T - 6/10	W - 7/10	T - 8/10	F 9/10
10:00am Welcome to week 2 (video) Reflections on COVID-19 (online material)	Louise Wallwein: Being the lighthouse (Online material with video clips)	10:30am-12:30pm Write right about me (webinar) *	Understanding the complexities of physical restraint (Online material with video clips and online discussion) *	All good things must come to an end (video) The Extraordinary Ordinary (video)

*Booking required

The detail

Tuesday 29 September

Welcome to #SIRCC2020 Online – 10.00 am

Joanne McMeeking, Head of Improving Care Experiences at CELCIS and John Ryan, Assistant Director at Aberlour Child Care Trust, will co-chair and introduce #SIRCC2020 Online, giving a flavour of what to expect over the next two weeks, the thinking behind SIRCC2020 and the main themes, conversations and opportunities to share, learn and network.

Jim Anglin – It must be the blue cheese?

Jim Anglin, PhD, is Professor Emeritus at the School of Child and Youth Care, University of Victoria, Canada, and Project Director and Research Associate, at the Cornell / LWB ARCARE project. Jim has over 45 years' experience working with and around the residential child care community and in 2019 he delivered a keynote presentation to the SIRCC 20th anniversary conference where he discussed the Independent Care Review and looked at love and its place at the heart of residential child care. We'll share key moments of his keynote with a view to generating discussion and reflection with your colleagues and the wider workforce. All material will be on the CELCIS website on Tuesday morning.

Wednesday 30 September

'Language' | A virtual workshop co-produced by the FYI Group - 10.30–12.00

The FYI Group (Fun Young Individuals) is a group of care experienced young people who meet weekly, with a view to making positive change in relevant local care services. This virtual workshop will prompt you to think in the context of 'transforming lives with passion and compassion' and the importance of the relationships between young people and those who support them. Thinking in a person-centred way, we'll explore how we communicate, what we say, when we say it and where we say it. What is the impact of the language we use in the company of the people we work with?

This workshop is live and you need to [book a place](#).

Thursday 1 October

The extraordinary ordinary | A conversation – 10.00-11.00

This conversational session will explore what has been happening in the residential child care community during lockdown. We'll aim to share what we see and hear when the work of residential child care is high-quality 'extraordinary ordinary', what impact it can have, and what support would staff and services need to fully realise the ambition of The Promise.

Hosted by CELCIS, we will have a panel of residential child care practitioners who will be sharing their experiences - delegates will have the opportunity to ask questions and engage with the speakers.

This webinar is live and you need to [book a place](#).

Friday 2 October

How did we do?

Tell us what you thought of the first week of SIRCC2020 give feedback online through our live poll.

Summary of week one

Joanne McMeeking of SIRCC will provide a summary of all that's been happening during the first week of SIRCC2020 Online. We'll also be getting ready for the week ahead!

Monday 5 October

Welcome to week 2

Joanne McMeeking and John Ryan will introduce week two of #SIRCC2020 Online, giving an outline of what's happening this week and the themes for discussion.

Reflections on COVID-19

Throughout the day we'll be directing you to published examples of the extraordinary ordinary in residential child care during the public health emergency and lockdown. What changes or alternative ways of working have taken place, how did the voices of young people form decisions, and how have people been coming together to help to sustain relationships and offer some stability for young lives during these uncertain times? A mixture of blogs, Meeting the Challenge articles and Scottish Journal of Residential Child Care special articles from both Scotland and internationally.

Tuesday 6 October

Louise Wallwein - Being the lighthouse

In 2019 Louise Wallwein (MBE), a published poet, playwright and participation artist, gave a key note speech to the SIRCC Conference. Using all of her experience, Louise highlighted themes relating to the role of practitioners both in residential and child care settings, records for children and young people, the need for a sense of connection and where the focus of attention should be in relation to our children and young people. We've selected five short clips to support reflection individually and encourage discussion in your service.

Wednesday 7 October

Write right about me – 10.30-12.30

Join Who Cares? Scotland, Aberdeen City Council and CELCIS as we learn together about current recording practice in residential child care. This webinar will consider why high quality, collaborative recording with children matters, how national and local developments have led us to this moment and how the voice of young people with care experience is transforming practice in Aberdeen.

We'll begin by hearing from those involved, including the young people themselves, then you will have the opportunity to ask questions and interact with others on this crucial topic, encouraging networking, reflection and challenging behaviour in the workplace.

This webinar is live and you need to [book a place](#).

Thursday 8 October

Understanding the complexities of physical restraint

Following on from Dr Laura Steckley of the University of Strathclyde's plenary last year on physical restraint in residential child care, a Scottish Physical Restraint Action Group was formed to continue the discussion and plan a way forward for Scotland. CELCIS published a series of blog posts from different perspectives, including how young people felt. Laura will provide an update on what's been happening since her session in a conversation with representatives from CELCIS.

This will be a pre-recorded conversation.

Friday 9 October

All good things must come to an end

It may be the end of SIRCC2020 online, but we hope it is the beginning of many more conversations. Joanne McMeeking and John Ryan round it off with the highlights of discussions during the two weeks.

The Extraordinary Ordinary

We'll release a video of pictures, audio, video and drawings submitted to the #ExtraordinaryOrdinary campaign, highlighting what residential child care has meant to young people and workers during the past few months.

Running throughout SIRCC 2020 Online

We've been hearing how working practices have adapted to continue to provide the best care for children and young people in residential child care across Scotland, in exceptionally challenging and difficult circumstances. We've heard stories and we'd love to hear more and share these during #SIRCC2020 Online. We want to know what the 'extraordinary ordinary' has meant to you and the young people you care for. We would like you to send us examples that capture the experience of the last few months. What have you learned from young people?

Holding the hands of those who hold the hand of the child

We'll be posting wellbeing tips and resources throughout the two weeks of SIRCC 2020 Online. Follow us on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) to make the most of the SIRCC online experience.