

Positive Transitions: Supporting Young Adult Carers in Learning and Work

Tuesday 27 February 2018
09:45 – 15:50

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PROGRAMME

09:45	Arrival and registration	Regent
10:45	Welcome, introduction and opening address Chair: Stephen Evans , Chief Executive, Learning and Work Institute	Council Chambers
11:00	Keynote speech: What the research tells us Speaker: Professor Saul Becker , Deputy Vice Chancellor, University of Sussex	
11:20	Young adult carers speak about their experiences Chair: Emily Hicks , Young Adult Carer	Council Chambers
11:35	Nicola Aylward , Head of Learning for Young People, Learning and Work Institute will introduce inputs around government policy affecting young adult carers: 16-19 Bursary Speaker: Laura Archer , Nottingham College Flexible apprenticeships Speaker: Cherelle-Marie Ward , young adult carer Carers Allowance and the 21-hour rule Speakers: Mark Knight , Team Leader, Strategy, Policy and Analysis Group, Department for Work and Pensions Action plan for carers Speaker: Sarah Gravenstede , Head of Adult Social Care Strategic Policy, Department of Health	Council Chambers
12:00	Q&A (Professor Saul Becker and Emily Hicks to join the panel)	
12:15	Lunch and networking	Regent

13:00	Focusing on practice	Council Chambers
	Chair: Dr Fiona Aldridge , Assistant Director for Development and Research, Learning and Work Institute	
13:05	Insights from practice	
	Speakers: Jon Scarth , Project Manager, Move on Up project, Quaker Social Action; Laura Archer , Wellbeing Manager, Nottingham College; Claire Briston , Young Adult Carer Worker, Newcastle Carers Service	
13:35	Q&A	
13:45 Workshop sessions		
1	Positive Career Choices	Council Chambers
	Speakers: Charlotte Robey , Senior Researcher; Kathryn James , Research Associate, Learning and Work Institute; Kemi Bandele-Forbes , Family and Carer Support and Information Worker, Camden Carers Centre Amber Lynch and Tayo Adehin , Young Adult Carers This workshop will introduce delegates to the Learning, Work and Wellbeing Toolkit, L&W's new resource for staff working with young adult carers. The toolkit includes tips and practical resources to help young adult carers think about, get into and keep education, training and employment opportunities. Workshop participants will be introduced to the Think, Get, Keep model which structures the toolkit, hear from a carers service involved in its development and have the chance to try out some of the activities included in the toolkit.	
2	Carer Passports	Euston
	Speakers: Laura Bennett , Acting Head of Policy; Cleo Kinder , Policy and Research Administrator, Carers Trust Carer Passports are a record which identifies an unpaid carer and sets out an offer of support, services or other benefits in response. Come and learn about the benefits of Carer Passports, how these new, free toolkits and templates can help you support young adult carers achieve and succeed at college and university, and how you can set up and support effective Carers Passport schemes. We'll also cover how Carer Passports can interact with other approaches and existing practice. Carer Passports were developed by Carers Trust and Carers UK, funded by the Department of Health and Social Care.	
14:30	Transition to workshops Refreshments will be available in your breakout spaces.	

14:35 **Workshop sessions**

3 The Quality Standard for Carers Support for learning providers

Council
Chambers

Speakers:

Kathryn James, Research Associate, Learning and Work Institute; **Rachel Walker**, Service manager; **Naomi Sykes**, Project Coordinator, Carers Federation; **Lynn Hart**, Vice Principal; **Jamie Squillino**, Activities Coordinator and Learning Mentor, Capel manor College

This workshop will introduce delegates to the Quality Standard for Carers Support, which L&W and the Carers Federation have been using to help six colleges improve their support for young adult carers. Workshop participants will hear from one of the colleges involved in this process and the changes they have made, hear the key lessons learned from the project and have the opportunity to start reviewing the support they offer to young adult carers throughout their learning journey.

4 Money Matters for young adult carers

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Speakers:

Toni-Marie Leaf, Senior Project Worker; **Hannah Cann**, Development Worker, The Children's Society Include Service

Sam Manners, **Ellen Oakley** and **Katherine Armitage**, Young Adult Carers

This workshop explores the financial pressures that young adult carer can face on multiple fronts. We will clarify the financial pressures that families living with disability can face, the financial caring roles that young carers undertake and identify financial barriers to them moving on to adulthood. Participants will also have the opportunity to hear about tools and resources that can support financial capability work with young carers, and hear from young adult carers about the impacts of this programme.

15:20 **Young people-led networking "call for action"**
(Refreshments available)

Regent

15:50 **Close**