

@SWSCMedia Debate on Tuesday 21 August 2012

Parental Substance Misuse: Messages from Research

Trending Words

#swscmedia, rt, children, misuse, substance, more, &, @swscmedia, family, psm, families, care, parental, child, @swstudent2

Event Participants





RT @SUTSWstudent: @Stepupstudent12 A practitioners group was established for parents of primary school aged children affected by Substance misuse #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:19 | SWSCmedia



RT @stepupstudent10: apologies my account keeps crashing, yes prevention, early intervention, encourage access to childrens services #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 10:19 | SWSCmedia



@SWSCmedia @Stepupstudent @Yehonola Crossover posts (child worker in adults teams) works to overcome stereotypes #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:19 | SWStudent44



#SWSCmedia what were some of the SWs assumptions? that parents with addictions wouldn't be able to change so kids go on CP plan earlier?

21-Aug-12 10:19 | swstudent2



RT @Stepupstudent #swscmedia @SUTSWstudent are the posts now permanent? Are there more posts?

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@Student528 #SWSCmedia holistic approach, assessments undertaken with children's needs in mind, partnership working eg joint home visits

21-Aug-12 10:20 | socialcarev



@SWstudent12 Its the National Drug Treatment Monitoring System - nf info given. #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:20 | SWStudent44



@SWSCmedia @swstudent2 The paper advises there is the need for this approach within other agencies & PAN london guide #SWSCMedia

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#SWSCmedia there was a general lack of understanding amongst social workers as to what treatment involves

21-Aug-12 10:21 | stepupstudent3



thinking about longer term outcomes for the children #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 10:21 | sustudent1



@SWStudent44 #swscmedia child social workers felt substance misusing parents could not parent, substance services just work with individual

21-Aug-12 10:21 | stepupstudent10



@SWSCmedia @Stepupstudent @SUTSWstudent #SWSCmedia the paper does not say however plans still seen to be under development

21-Aug-12 10:21 | socialcarev



#SWSCMedia is the aim of the research to introduce new initiatives? If so, hw can this b used in diff areas with diff social problems?

21-Aug-12 10:21 | SUSWStudent



RT @SUTSWstudent @SWSCmedia @swstudent2 Paper advises there is the need for this approach w/in other agencies & PAN London guide #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:23 | SWSCmedia



@SWstudent2012 #swscmedia Or substance use service assumptions about SW?

21-Aug-12 10:23 | swanonymouse



RT @stepupstudent10: @stepupstudent3 Yes, almost half of the child social workers had had no basic drugs or alcohol training #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 10:23 | Stepupstudent



RT @SWStudent44: @SWSCmedia @swstudent2 Without financial resources of Adult, Children's and Primary Care Services, change would not have been pos #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:23 | SWSCmedia



#swscmedia @stepupstudent10 wow, that is quite significant! and Worrying!!

21-Aug-12 10:23 | Stepupstudent



Interesting tweets #SWSCMedia Assumptions & Attitudes stop professionals from working effectively w/ service users who misuse substances.

21-Aug-12 10:23 | U4Change



@U4Change Your mom's interesting tweets #SWSCMedia Assumptions & Attitudes stop professionals from working effectively w/ service users who...

21-Aug-12 10:23 | YourMomBot



@AABSW Childrens SWs thinking that subs.misuse parents cannot parent and abstinence only answer #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:23 | SWStudent44



@SWStudent44 #SWSCmedia does research discuss whether the early interventions save money in long run as less children in care etc?

21-Aug-12 10:23 | swstudent2



@SUSWStudent general principle of better integration of service esp adult and children, place a child SW within adult LD team #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 10:23 | stepupstudent10



@SUSWStudent yes definitely, much of what worked was general: multi-agency working, early intervention, breaking down stereotypes #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 10:24 | Yehonola



That's great. Our 2nd #Research paper is: A family affair? #KinshipCare & #Parental #SubstanceMisuse: <http://t.co/ZfPNZgRI> #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 10:24 | SWSCmedia



@stepupstudent10 @stepupstudent3 #SWSCmedia do the new posts offer only direct work or are they responsible for consultation/training?

21-Aug-12 10:24 | Student20122



RT @SWStudent44: @AABSW Childrens SWs thinking that subs.misuse parents cannot parent and abstinence only answer #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:25 | Stepupstudent



Now for our 2nd #Research paper: A family affair? #KinshipCare & #Parental #SubstanceMisuse: <http://t.co/ZfPNZgRI> #SWSCmedia #socialwork

21-Aug-12 10:25 | SWSCmedia



#swscmedia it's an under-researched area. US research is looked at but cautiously cos of differences to UK

21-Aug-12 10:26 | Stepupstudent



@swstudent2 SWs believed sub misuse = bad parenting, only abstinence is acceptable & focus on concerns not protective factors #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:26 | SUTSWstudent



#swscmedia UK research into substance misuse generally is looked at with reference to grandparents especially

21-Aug-12 10:26 | Stepupstudent



@SWStudent44 #SWSCmedia exactly, would be good reason for initial investment in new posts/ services/ training etc

21-Aug-12 10:26 | swstudent2



#swscmedia Found that g-parents can be a force for change but could also compound substance problems esp if problems started with them

21-Aug-12 10:27 | Stepupstudent



@U4Change #swscmedia indeed, and even more difficult to find prevalence of alcohol-abusing parents

21-Aug-12 10:27 | Yehonola



#swscmedia complexities of kin care n substance misuse explored esp in regards to attachment. Kinship care placements valuable resource and

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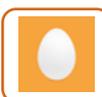
#swscmedia can last longer but much more support may be needed for carers and children due to the complex emotions n historical conflicts

21-Aug-12 10:27 | Stepupstudent



Kroll, 2005 highlights that HR act '98 and CA '89 uphold principle that children should ideally live with birth families #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 10:27 | SWstudent12



2nd Article: Kinship care is increasingly being used as a source of support to keep children within their birth family. #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 10:27 | 28Student



#swscmedia implications for practice: profs need to establish good relations w/ all family members to enable denial n secrecy to be tackled

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RT @Stepupstudent #swscmedia The article (Kroll, 2007) examines issues surrounding parental substance misuse and kinship placements..

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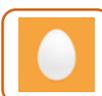
#swscmedia concludes that there is a definite need for empirical research (which the author is conducting at the time of writing).

21-Aug-12 10:28 | Stepupstudent



RT @swstudent2: @SWStudent44 #SWSCmedia exactly, would be good reason for initial investment in new posts/ services/ training etc

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This article explores some of the issues surrounding kinship placement in circumstances of substance misuse, >> #swscmedia

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RT @28Student 2nd Article: Kinship care is increasingly being used as a source of support to keep children in their birth family. #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 10:29 | SWSCmedia



#swscmedia The family can be seen as both the cause of substance misuse problems, and the solution to them.

21-Aug-12 10:29 | 28Student



Often a trans-generational aspect, how much have Gparents influenced their children's drug use? (Kroll, 2005) #SWSCmedia

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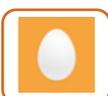
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RT @Stepupstudent: #swscmedia complexities of kin care n substance misuse explored esp in regards to attachment. Kinship care placements valuable resource and

21-Aug-12 10:30 | SWSCmedia



#swscmedia Family may provide invaluable support, motivation for change, and a protective buffer for both parent and child,

21-Aug-12 10:30 | 28Student



Gparents may free parents of their responsibilities, take away their motivations for change (Kroll, 2006) #SWSCmedia

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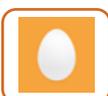
But, Gparents can be a powerful force for change. More research is needed to provide accurate UK context (Kroll, 2006) #SWSCmedia

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Where there is evidence of intergenerational transmission, the root causes of this should be explored #swscmedia >>

21-Aug-12 10:31 | 28Student



#swscmedia Family can be both a protective and a risk factor it appears...

21-Aug-12 10:31 | SUStudent99



RT @28Student #swscmedia The family can be seen as both the cause of substance misuse problems, and the solution to them.

21-Aug-12 10:31 | SWSCmedia



RT @AABSW: @SWStudent44 current gov puts new emphasis on abstinence based recovery - maybe this will be the standard for parents in future #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 10:31 | SWSCmedia



Thank you for the intro... What are your questions &/or views regarding our 2nd paper? <http://t.co/ZfPNZgRI> #SWSCmedia #Addiction

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21-Aug-12 10:33 | bonklesoul



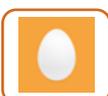
#swscmedia is there any information on the success or failure rates of these types of placements?

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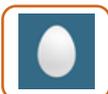
Are there any points raised for why/when a family is protective or a risk factor? #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:33 | StudentofSW



feelings of guilt, responsibility, fear and blame in relation to the parent's substance misuse; #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 10:33 | 28Student



#SWSCmedia How do social workers decide whether GParents are going to be a help or a hinderance?

21-Aug-12 10:33 | Stepupstudent12



RT @SUStudent99 @AABSW @SWStudent44 #swscmedia Do we not use a more harm reduction and social model approach? #socialwork #socialcare

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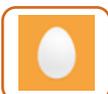
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21-Aug-12 10:33 | Yehonola



#SWSCMedia if children come from a long line of sub-misusers should they still ideally live their extended family

21-Aug-12 10:33 | SWstudent2012



complex behavioural issues on the child's part, which the grandparent may struggle to understand or deal with.#swscmedia

21-Aug-12 10:33 | 28Student



RT @bonklesoul: @SWstudent12 #swscmedia, Evidence of effectiveness of KC patchy, is it convenient to emphasise family thereby relieving state of responsibty

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inter-generational transmission agree looking at holistic picture of parent as child #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 10:34 | sustudent1



RT @stepupstudent3 #SWSCmedia what issues surrounding kinship placement were identified

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@bonklesoul @SWstudent12 #SWSCmedia really important that kinship carers receive same support as other fosterers, easy to be lazy

21-Aug-12 10:34 | swstudent2



RT @bonklesoul: @SWstudent12 #swscmedia, Evidence of effectiveness of KC patchy, is it convenient to emphasise family thereby relieving state of responsibility

21-Aug-12 10:35 | SUTSWstudent



Are extensive parenting assessments etc carried out in the same way as they would be for fostering or adoption placements? #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 10:35 | stepupstudent10



#SWSCMedia sometimes Gparents are not a protective factor for children if they have a good relationship with their own child (parent)

21-Aug-12 10:35 | SWstudent2012



Good debate around Kindship Care & Whether State emphasises this to relieve state responsibility or whether family is indeed best #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:35 | U4Change



An assessment of what role if any the gparents played in parent starting to misuse substances #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 10:35 | socialworktrain



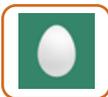
emotional resilience issues, transfer of feelings towards the child #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:35 | sustudent1



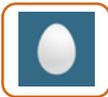
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Is the inter-generational cycle of poor attachment and potential problems for kinship care explored in detail? #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:35 | StudentofSW



@SWSCmedia #SWSCmedia What support would the family member need to make the placement work?

21-Aug-12 10:35 | Student528



#swscmedia I worked with a 14 year old SU, mum on Crack, dad on heroin, gran on cocaine and little brother smoking cannabis - very difficult

21-Aug-12 10:36 | SUStudent99



@Student528 This is a good point #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 10:36 | socialworktrain



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@swstudent2 @bonklesoul @SWstudent12 I agree they need to receive the same allowances and support as foster carers #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:36 | SWstudent2012



#swscmedia no conclusive evidence from research - need for ongoing assessment during placement

21-Aug-12 10:36 | SPSehmi



is there any information on the success or failure rates of these types of placements? #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 10:37 | stepupstudent10



@SUStudent99 #swscmedia presumably kinship care wasn't the answer?

21-Aug-12 10:37 | Yehonola



#swscmedia @StudentofSW disordered attachment is explored in some detail but intergenerational nature not explored in a lot of detail.

21-Aug-12 10:37 | Stepupstudent



RT @socialworktrain An assessment of what role if any the gparents played in parent starting to misuse substances #swscmedia #socialwork

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Placements with gparents can be good for children as it is someone familiar, so not such an upheaval in their life #swscmedia

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@SWstudent2012 #swscmedia POtential for over reliance on GP to repel substance misusing parent (their own child)

21-Aug-12 10:37 | bonklesoul



RT @sustudent1 emotional resillience issues, tranfer of feelings towards the child #SWSCmedia #socialwork #socialcare

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@SWSCmedia @28Student #swscmedia But surely a foster-carer/other carer would struggle to understand same issues?

21-Aug-12 10:38 | Yehonola



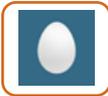
thinking about extended support networks, family friends etc... child still embedded in this #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 10:38 | sustudent1



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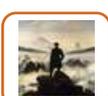
@bonklesoul US evidence shows kin placements more enduring better parental links, but yes also clear negatives #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 10:39 | SWstudent12



#swscmedia @stepupstudent10 in US placements found to be more enduring with better links to birth family but no research in UK (in 2007).

21-Aug-12 10:39 | Stepupstudent



@SWstudent2012 #swscmedia Is it not possible to have 'good' relationship w/parent but still be able to see neg. impact of parent's drug use?

21-Aug-12 10:39 | Yehonola



#SWSCmedia is there a discussion of importance of taking child's view into account?

21-Aug-12 10:39 | swstudent2



RT @swstudent2: #SWSCmedia is there a discussion of importance of taking child's view into account?

21-Aug-12 10:39 | SUTSWstudent



@socialworktrain: Placements w/ gparents can be good for children as it's someone familiar, so not such an upheaval in their life #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 10:40 | SWSCmedia



@28Student @SWStudent44 some training for the gparents would be good, what to say, what not to say to child etc #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 10:40 | socialworktrain



#swscmedia @SWStudent44 yes, potential confusion for child re: who is in charge n why they may not have seen their gparents for a long time.

21-Aug-12 10:40 | Stepupstudent



#swscmedia intergen misuse is problematic esp as cycle of misuse may start within family - key that history is assessed and monitored

21-Aug-12 10:41 | SPSehmi



RT @SWSCmedia: RT @sustudent1 emotional resillience issues, tranfer of feelings towards the child #SWSCmedia #socialwork #socialcare

21-Aug-12 10:41 | DeonKondos



RT @bonklesoul @SWstudent2012 #swscmedia POtential for over reliance on GP to repel substance misusing parent (their own child)

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RT @Yehonola: @SWSCmedia @28Student #swscmedia But surely a foster-carer/other carer would struggle to understand same issues?

21-Aug-12 10:41 | SWSCmedia



@socialworktrain agree, however, contact with parents who still use drugs could be an issue?? #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:41 | SUSWStudent



@BecciCath @SWStudent44 #SWSCmedia that's great, really need to move away from short-sighted budgets and invest for the long-term

21-Aug-12 10:41 | swstudent2



RT @sustudent1 thinking about extended support networks, family friends etc... child still embedded in this #SWSCmedia

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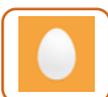
@swstudent2 The child's view being taken into account would be crucial in terms of the success of the placement #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 10:41 | socialworktrain



@SWSCmedia @socialworktrain And it means contact with parent can be arranged more regularly/flexibly.

21-Aug-12 10:41 | Student528



@Yehonola @SWSCmedia #swscmedia Yes, but without the baggage of emotions towards the substance misuse issue, I think that complicates

21-Aug-12 10:41 | 28Student



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@Yehonola its possible but in my experience gparents dont always do the right thing cos they also want to protect their own child #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:42 | SWstudent2012



RT @U4Change: #SWSCMedia Should be mindful of diversity: not treating groups or individuals as part of a monolithic group/entity

21-Aug-12 10:42 | swstudent2



what were the ages of the children? #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 10:42 | sustudent1



@SUSWStudent @socialworktrain Isn't the idea to maintain that contact and link #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:43 | SWStudent44



3 minutes to our 3rd paper: <http://t.co/Sc1zUXxi> #SWSCmedia #addiction

21-Aug-12 10:43 | SWSCmedia



@StudentofSW Be interesting to see any differences in results as a result of ethnicity or culture #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 10:43 | SUStudent99



RT @StudentofSW: Were any issues of families from different cultural backgrounds explored and whether this affected kinship care? #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:43 | SWSCmedia



@28Student @SWSCmedia #swscmedia Yes guess it could. Or alt. could show greater empathy/understanding as know situation. Diff. strokes...

21-Aug-12 10:43 | Yehonola



RT @28Student: @Yehonola @SWSCmedia #swscmedia Yes, but without the baggage of emotions towards the substance misuse issue, I think that complicates

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@Yehonola #SWSCmedia Different relationship dynamic, foster carer has formal role with "state"

21-Aug-12 10:43 | bonklesoul



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RT @SWSCmedia: RT @SWstudent12 Children often have disordered attachments & suffer as result of chaotic lifestyles/neglect/bullying (Howe, 2005) #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 10:44 | glengaugh



#swscmedia @Yehonola alcohol unresearched cos it often gets subsumed into substance misuse generally

21-Aug-12 10:44 | Stepupstudent



@socialworktrain @swstudent2 I agree, this would need to be a child centred process. #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:44 | SWStudent44



RT @stepup83 @SWSCmedia lack of information being recorded electronically appropriately therefore no evidence unless manually #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 10:44 | SWSCmedia



@SWstudent2012 @Yehonola #SWSCmedia yes torn between child and grandchild so need monitoring to ensure that grchild needs paramount

21-Aug-12 10:48 | socialcarev



#SWSCMedia Trans-generational misuse of substances a significant factor to consider within this context. @SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:48 | U4Change



Young people living with #Parental #AlcoholMisuse & Parental #Violence: 'No-one has ever asked me how I feel in any of this' #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 10:50 | U4Change



@SWSCmedia #SWSCmedia To me, that's a failure of holistic SW & neglects the cyp's voice. SW's need to consider the whole familial set up

21-Aug-12 10:50 | BecciCath



@SUStudent99 #swscmedia That's a good point. Imperative to find out how child copes in circumstances

21-Aug-12 10:50 | SPSehmi



RT @StudentofSW: Were any issues of families from different cultural backgrounds explored and whether this affected kinship care? #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:51 | PlanBPartners



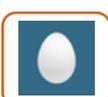
Apologies. Our 3rd #Research paper is #Parental #SubstanceMisuse & #ChildCare #SocialWork: 100 families: <http://t.co/3Q7hEkOE> #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 10:53 | SWSCmedia



Assessment process very much linked to an ecological model now where whole family understood #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 10:54 | SPSehmi



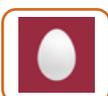
#SWSCMedia 20-60% of SW cases of abuse involve substance misuse and the more serious the case the higher the prevalence of substance misuse

21-Aug-12 10:54 | Stepupstudent12



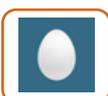
#SWSCmedia Lots of American research, need separate British research because of differences in type of drug, society, models of treatment.

21-Aug-12 10:55 | Stepupstudent12



#SWSCmedia Forrester & Harwin 2006 identify a gap in parental substance misuse (PSM) awareness/research in the UK.

21-Aug-12 10:55 | Student20122



#SWSCmedia Study looked at 1 year's worth of cases with SW intervention over 1 year in 4 London boroughs, 2 inner and 2 outer.

21-Aug-12 10:55 | Stepupstudent12



#swscmedia Parental substance misuse (PSM) emerged as a major feature of social work caseloads.

21-Aug-12 10:55 | SUStudent99



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#SWSCmedia In reviewing case files to 4 varied London LAs within a 1 yr period (2000-2001)

21-Aug-12 10:56 | Student20122



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This paper focused on 100 cases in 4 London boroughs; 2 inner&2outte through 200-01. The study identified that 62% of 1/2 #SWSCmedia

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1/3 of cases involved parental substance misuse. Association with having younger children & from 1 parent families #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 10:56 | swanonymouse



RT @Student20122 #SWSCmedia In reviewing case files to 4 varied London LAs within a 1 yr period (2000-2001)

21-Aug-12 10:56 | SWSCmedia



#SWSCmedia Levels of PSM roughly equal inner and outer London boroughs
Higher Alcohol in Outer and higher drug use in Inner boroughs

21-Aug-12 10:57 | Stepupstudent12



RT @SUStudent99 #swscmedia Study undertaken due to lack of British research in this area.

21-Aug-12 10:57 | SWSCmedia



#swscmedia despite different demographic profiles similar proportions of re PSM.
with Crack cocaine and Heroin most likely to be misused

21-Aug-12 10:57 | SUStudent99



@SPSehmi Emphasis on social systems approach for practitioners in this feild #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:57 | SWStudent44



care proceedings cases& 40% of those placed on the child protection register involved concerns on parental substance misuse.2/2 #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:57 | socialworkstude



RT @socialworkstude: This paper focused on 100 cases in 4 London boroughs; 2 inner&2outte through 200-01. The study identified that 62% of 1/2 #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 10:57 | SWSCmedia



#SWSCmedia Possible overall increase in crack cocaine use in the UK compared to past research

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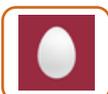
RT @SUStudent99: #swscmedia despite different demographic profiles similar proportions of re PSM.
with Crack cocaine and Heroin most likely to be misused

21-Aug-12 10:57 | SWSCmedia



@Stepupstudent12 #SWSCmedia is there a difference between UK & US w/regard alcohol dependency & treatment & how SW perform?

21-Aug-12 10:57 | BecciCath



#SWSCmedia Identified that of total sample 534 children from 290 families, PSM identified in 186 c from 100 fam at point of allocation.

21-Aug-12 10:57 | Student20122



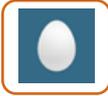
#swscmedia high % of these PSM children came from lone parent families, 53% also a picture of severe social disadvantage emerged re housing

21-Aug-12 10:58 | SUStudent99



#SWSCmedia The impact parental drug and alcohol misuse has on the wider family, attachment and child development issues

21-Aug-12 10:58 | StepUp_London



#SWSCmedia High levels of PSM at referral stage, but very low number of PSM where children accommodated,

21-Aug-12 10:58 | Stepupstudent12



Study found that parental substance misuse was a key concern for children's services, yet little research carried out in Britain #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:58 | socialworkstude



#swscmedia other PSM factors related include parental learning difficulties, mental illness, social services involvement as a child

21-Aug-12 10:58 | SUStudent99



#SWSCmedia 82 children in sample alcohol only PSM, drug only PSM affecting 65 children from sample.

21-Aug-12 10:58 | Student20122



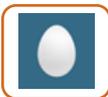
study aims to address the gap in research into the role PSM plays in childcare concerns that social workers have #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 10:59 | socialworktrain



RT @SWStudent44 @SPSehmi Emphasis on social systems approach for practitioners in this feild #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:59 | SWSCmedia



#SWSCmedia Lack of specialist intervention, except new borns, lack of referrals from HV and GP who probably encounter quite a lot of PSM.

21-Aug-12 10:59 | Stepupstudent12



RT @socialworkstude: care proceedings cases& 40% of those placed on the child protection register involved concerns on parental substance misuse.2/2 #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 10:59 | SWSCmedia



#SWSCmedia Concludes kinship placements require a specific type of support and monitoring to safeguard the welfare of the child.

21-Aug-12 10:59 | StepUp_London



#SWSCmedia Impact of social variables significant. PSM sample identified as more socially disadvantaged on markers of employment and housing

21-Aug-12 10:59 | Student20122



RT @Stepupstudent12 #SWSCmedia Possible overall increase in crack cocaine use in the UK compared to past research

21-Aug-12 10:59 | SWSCmedia



#swscmedia higher numbers of PSM abusing alcohol - led to a higher incidence of violence

21-Aug-12 10:59 | SUStudent99



290 case files that were going for 'long term allocation' were examined #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 10:59 | socialworktrain



#SWSCmedia Alcohol and women overwhelmingly the cause for concern for SW, but most SM services aims at drugs and attended by men.

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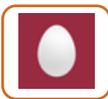
#swscmedia only 1 referrals from substance misuse professionals –in the entire sample. Need more effective inter-agency working.

21-Aug-12 11:00 | SUStudent99



RT @Stepupstudent12: #SWSCmedia Alcohol and women overwhelmingly the cause for concern for SW, but most SM services aims at drugs and attended by men.

21-Aug-12 11:01 | SWSCmedia



#SWSCmedia PSM correlated with other factors including parental history with LA social services criminal convictions and history of violence

21-Aug-12 11:01 | Student20122



@Stepupstudent12 Implications: need to prioritise in SW training, better women-specific services and interagency working #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 11:01 | swanonymouse



83% of the sample were affected by maternal substance misuse#swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:01 | socialworktrain



RT @SUStudent99: #swscmedia other PSM factors related include parental learning difficulties, mental illness, social services involvement as a child

21-Aug-12 11:01 | SWStudent44



RT @socialworktrain 290 case files that were going for 'long term allocation' were examined #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:01 | SWSCmedia



PSM was a lot more common in babies under 12 months than older children. #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:01 | socialworktrain



#swscmedia Con: Illegal drug use and problem-drinking are both on the increase - S/W need to work effectively with this difficult issue.

21-Aug-12 11:01 | SUStudent99



#SWSCmedia Where PSM recorded, sample was loaded towards 'heavy'/more invasive SS interventions (inc 63% subject to care proceedings)

21-Aug-12 11:01 | Student20122



RT @Student20122 #SWSCmedia In 84% sample families where PSM identified primary caregiver (mother) was involved with PSM

21-Aug-12 11:01 | SWSCmedia



RT @swanonymouse: @Stepupstudent12 Implications: need to prioritise in SW training, better women-specific services and interagency working #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 11:01 | SWSCmedia



RT @Student20122: #SWSCmedia PSM correlated with other factors including parental history with LA social services criminal convictions and history of violence

21-Aug-12 11:02 | SWSCmedia



#SWSCmedia 71% of sample of families with PSM, no or little contact with specialist substance misuse services

21-Aug-12 11:02 | Student20122



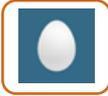
Many parents with PSM issues in the study were lone parents, therefore the main caregiver for children #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:02 | socialworkstude



There was more alcohol misuse than substance misuse and more violence in the alcohol misuse cases.
#swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:03 | socialworktrain



Compared to non-PSM cases, children likely to be younger, poorer socioeconomic circumstances, parents likely to have complex issues #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:03 | AABSW



Main referral sources for these cases were neighbours & hospitals. Low referral rates from substance misuse practitioners. #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:03 | socialworkstude



Thank you for the intro... What are your questions &/or views regarding our 3rd paper? <http://t.co/3Q7hEkOE>
#SWSCmedia #Addiction

21-Aug-12 11:03 | SWSCmedia



PSM at the 'heavy end' of SW: at allocation 62% of children subject to care proceedings + 40% on CP register involved PSM #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:03 | AABSW



more attention to be given to alcohol misuse #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:03 | socialworktrain



Parental drug use more strongly associated with care proceedings; alcohol use with children on CP register #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:03 | AABSW



RT @swanonymouse @SWSCmedia @Stepupstudent12 Associated with not managing child's behaviour rather than parental misuse issues? #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 11:03 | SWSCmedia



#SWSCmedia Ltd involvement of sub. misuse services correlated with variables: evidence of PSM, engagement, absence of other concerns.

21-Aug-12 11:03 | Student20122



@Stepupstudent12 Just like DV towards men not socially acceptable, alcohol abuse not socially acceptable in mothers maybe? #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:03 | SWStudent44



RT @BecciCath: #SWSCmedia has there been any research into differences in PSM in a city setting & a rural setting? less "specialism" in rural cyp teams?

21-Aug-12 11:03 | SWSCmedia



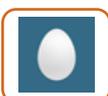
@socialworktrain #swscmedia As was inter-agency working - this could account for higher referrals/work with babies this age

21-Aug-12 11:03 | SUStudent99



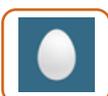
No difficulties found with working practices between SWs and SM specialists, though a lack of referrals received from SM teams #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:04 | AABSW



@swanonymouse @SWSCmedia Poss parents with SM issues are better able to fix the problem SWs are concerned about so avoid getting to removal?

21-Aug-12 11:04 | Stepupstudent12



SM specialists not involved in the majority PSM cases, typically because parents didn't think they had a problem #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:04 | AABSW



@SUStudent99 Crossover posts (as described earlier) maybe an option #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:05 | SWStudent44



Did the paper explore what were the most common categories for children to go on the CPR? #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:05 | StudentofSW



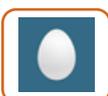
#swscmedia what are the reasons for PSM being more common with babies? Poss that for older children parents have had longer time to change?

21-Aug-12 11:05 | stepupstudent10



RT @AABSW No difficulties found with working practices btwn SWs and SM specialists, though a lack of referrals received from SM teams

21-Aug-12 11:05 | SWSCmedia



@SWSCmedia #SWSCmedia Does it say what % of these parents are engaged with substance misuse services

21-Aug-12 11:05 | Student528



@SWStudent44 @Stepupstudent12 #SWSCmedia High numbers of mothers in sample caseload subject to allocation

21-Aug-12 11:05 | Student20122



RT @AABSW No difficulties found w/ working practices btwn SWs & SM specialists, though a lack of referrals received from SM teams #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:05 | SWSCmedia



@SUStudent99 There were NO referrals from health visitors or GPs. There needs to be more inter agency working #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:06 | socialworktrain



RT @AABSW SM specialists not involved in the majority PSM cases, typically because parents didn't think they had a problem #swscmedia

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RT @Student528 @SWSCmedia #SWSCmedia Does it say what % of these parents are engaged with substance misuse services

21-Aug-12 11:06 | SWSCmedia



#SWSCmedia What was the reason for low referral rate from other professionals?

21-Aug-12 11:06 | SPSehmi



#SWSCmedia is there discussion of the "toxic triangle" - DV, mental health problems, substance misuse, and risk to children?

21-Aug-12 11:06 | swstudent2



@AABSW Is this due to stereotypical views from sworkers?#SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:06 | SWStudent44



@socialworkstude #SWSCmedia Wonder if PSM is just a "poverty" condition, or if "middle classes" are largely invisible to services?

21-Aug-12 11:06 | BecciCath



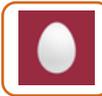
@SWSCmedia @AABSW Denial aspect of the cycle of addiction perhaps? #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:07 | SUStudent99



#SWSCmedia US studies showed higher PSM and intergen SM in urban areas of high poverty, unemployment. does this fit with this research?

21-Aug-12 11:08 | SPSehmi



perhaps linking to the cycle of change #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 11:08 | sustudent1



@StepUp_London @socialworktrain Looked at case files between 2000 - 2001 - Aim to address gap in research re PMS in the UK #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:08 | SUStudent99



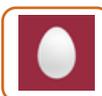
@SWSCmedia @socialworktrain #SWSCmedia would that be because more interaction with healthcare services at that age meant probs id'd sooner?

21-Aug-12 11:08 | BecciCath



@AABSW #SWSCmedia a very difficult issue to negotiate - even if parents comply to meet terms of CP plan might be false, no sustained change

21-Aug-12 11:08 | swstudent2



@SWStudent44 @SUStudent99 #SWSCmedia They highlighted need for upskilling all SWs. Large scale concern, significant proportion of sample

21-Aug-12 11:09 | Student20122



@socialworktrain @SUStudent99 thats surprising that health visitors especially did not refer. #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:09 | SWstudent2012



@Stepupstudent @socialworktrain #swscmedia maily non-professionals: neighbours and relatives

21-Aug-12 11:09 | swanonymouse



@SUStudent99 @StepUp_London @socialworktrain Or PSM!!! #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:09 | SUStudent99



#SWSCMedia There is limited research on what is effective when working with families experiencing substance misuse. #ActionResearch Needed.

21-Aug-12 11:09 | U4Change



@SPSehmi Maybe health profs referred to other services e.g substance misuse instead of SS #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:09 | socialworktrain



@SWStudent44 Don't think reason given - would guess alcohol use is more normalised by SW as it's legal, perhaps? #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:10 | AABSW



@socialworktrain @stepupstudent10 #swscmedia Doesn't add-up w/fact that no referrals from GP/HVs. Surely they would be able to pick-up on?

21-Aug-12 11:10 | Yehonola



@SPSehmi possibly adult focused instead of child focused #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:10 | socialworktrain



@SWStudent44 @AABSW Was their a rationale for this finding? #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:11 | SWStudent44



@SWSCmedia @Student528 SM Professionals played a part in 24% alcohol cases, 41% drugs alone and 48% where both substances misused #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:12 | socialworkstude



@swstudent2 think there's an argument for compliance not long term change when non-PSM CP - high anxiety + stakes are high #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:12 | AABSW



@BecciCath @SWSCmedia @socialworktrain #swscmedia Apparently not, because it also said there were no referrals from GPs/HVs.

21-Aug-12 11:13 | Yehonola



RT @28Student: #swscmedia Do you think that lack of referrals could be because a lot of cases don't meet threshold so other pros think what's the point?

21-Aug-12 11:13 | Stepupstudent



#SWSCmedia So is the problem identifying PSM issues or their acceptance of the problem?

21-Aug-12 11:13 | SPSehmi



@SWSCmedia @socialworktrain #swscmedia good point, very worrying if breast feeding

21-Aug-12 11:13 | stepupstudent10



@BecciCath @socialworktrain @STUStudent99 It may be an issue of training professionals on these issues and what to look out for #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:13 | SWStudent44



RT @socialworkstude: @SWSCmedia @Student528 SM Professionals played a part in 24% alcohol cases, 41% drugs alone and 48% where both substances misused #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:13 | SWSCmedia



RT @Stepupstudent12 Perhaps more 'functioning' addicts in middle class? Can afford their habit and the nannys/cleaners to cope? #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 11:13 | BecciCath



Mother are more exposed at the time of pregnancy could be the reason for higher rate #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:14 | SUTSWstudent



@SWSCmedia @BecciCath @socialworkstude I would definitely go with the later 'invisible to services' as addiction affects all...#swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:14 | SUStudent99



@SWSCmedia @BecciCath #SWSCmedia good point, again plays into SWs assumptions about who would have SM problems

21-Aug-12 11:14 | swstudent2



@SWSCmedia @socialworktrain @stepupstudent10 argument for better support services for parents with a newborn #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 11:14 | StepUp_London



@Yehonola @BecciCath @SWSCmedia @socialworktrain #SWSCmedia higher level of referrals from hospitals

21-Aug-12 11:14 | Student20122



RT @AABSW: @swstudent2 think there's an argument for compliance not long term change when non-PSM CP - high anxiety + stakes are high #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:14 | SWSCmedia



@BecciCath #SWSCmedia although environmental factors -financial stress, poor housing - could make people more at risk of SM problems

21-Aug-12 11:15 | swstudent2



@SWStudent44 @BecciCath @STUStudent99 yes exactly #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:16 | socialworktrain



RT @swstudent2: @BecciCath #SWSCmedia although environmental factors -financial stress, poor housing - could make people more at risk of SM problems

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@socialworkstude @SWSCmedia @Student528 #SWSCmedia 71% of sample of families with PSM, no/little contact with specialist SM services

21-Aug-12 11:16 | Student20122



@StepUp_London @SWSCmedia @socialworktrain @stepupstudent10 e.g. The Family-Nurse Partnership. I know this is in some boroughs. #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:16 | Yehonola



@Yehonola @BecciCath @socialworktrain @STUStudent99 You would expect so but with referrals so low, it is a real cause for concern #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:17 | SWStudent44



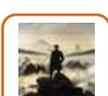
@stepupstudent10 The rates were similar in the inner london and outer london boroughs #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:17 | socialworktrain



@swstudent2 #SWSCmedia Absolutely! SW's need to remember that SU's can come from any class. Back to basic values & realise SW is for all

21-Aug-12 11:17 | BecciCath



@Stepupstudent12 #swscmedia That's what came to my mind: and under-reported alcohol abuse in middle-class households, ie. outer suburbs.

21-Aug-12 11:17 | Yehonola



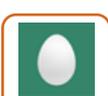
Our 4th paper is: Evaluation of an intensive family preservation service for families affected by parental #SubstanceMisuse: #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 11:18 | SWSCmedia



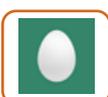
Our 4th paper on Parental #SubstanceMisuse: <http://t.co/Sc1zUXxi> #SWSCmedia #addiction

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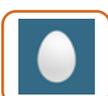
There is not much literature on preventative service for children going into care. #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:18 | StudentofSW



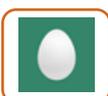
However, a high proportion of children going into care experience parental substance misuse. #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:18 | StudentofSW



@Student20122 Wonder what the proportion is in the rest of the population? That 29% engagement might be quite high! #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:18 | AABSW



The study explores an intervention method aimed to prevent children experiencing parental substance misuse from entering care. #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:19 | StudentofSW



Option 2 offers crisis intervention based on motivational interviewing and solution focussed techniques. #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:20 | StudentofSW



@SWSCmedia #SWSCmedia EBP: Testing the effectiveness of an intensive intervention over 4 weeks, where family has very regular support

21-Aug-12 11:20 | Student528



A study aimed at evaluating the effectiveness of Option 2 in improving family functioning and in keeping families together. #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:20 | sustudent1



All who fit criteria are assessed and control group was those for whom there wasn't space. #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:20 | StudentofSW



#SWSCMedia PSM is 1 of the cause for children going into care. Forrester et al evaluated a Intensive family preservation service...

21-Aug-12 11:20 | SWstudent2012



Families between 2000/06 studied Option 2 group = 276 and comparison = 89 & no significant differences found between groups. #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:20 | StudentofSW



This service (Option 2) is a model of crisis intervention, works intensively with families with SM and children at risk of care #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 11:20 | swstudent2



#swscmedia study evaluates intervention (called option 2) in families where there is PSM in Wales, using similar intervention used in USA

21-Aug-12 11:20 | SUSWStudent



Quantitative data compared groups entering and staying in care. The results found didn't reduce likelihood of entering care. #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:20 | StudentofSW



#SWSCMedia for families with PSM. service is called Option 2 and was based on an US service

21-Aug-12 11:20 | SWstudent2012



#SWSCmedia @Beccicath US study did link PSM more to poverty & unemployment in urban areas, esp when g/parents also had subs misuse issues

21-Aug-12 11:21 | SPSehmi



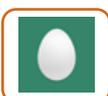
It reduced time spent, and increased time before entering care and increased likelihood of returning home. #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:21 | StudentofSW



Option 2 works intensively with families using motivational interviewing and solution-focused approaches #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 11:21 | swstudent2



This decreased money spent per child, even with service costs. #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:21 | StudentofSW



@socialworktrain #SWSCmedia @stepupstudent10 shame this is so London centric. Wld be interesting to compare & contrast other UK cities

21-Aug-12 11:21 | BecciCath



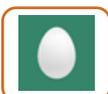
All reported positive experiences. Important factors were relationships and communication skills. #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:22 | StudentofSW



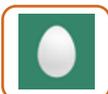
#SWSCmedia (1/2) evaluation showed this form of intensive, short-term intervention did not reduce chance of children entering, care BUT

21-Aug-12 11:22 | swstudent2



Families also saw benefits of practitioners offering practical, emotional and substance misuse advice. #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:22 | StudentofSW



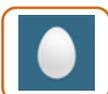
Children reported increased confidence and family functioning. However families found it hard after the intervention. #SWSCMedia

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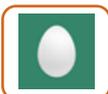
Option 2 also uses Motivational Interviewing and Task Centered approaches in its delivery of services #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:22 | SWstudent2012



@SWSCmedia #SWSCmedia But there was longer time before they entered care, less time spent in care, and higher likelihood of returning home

21-Aug-12 11:22 | Student528



Overall the study provides evidence for working with hard to reach families and reducing children entering care. #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:23 | StudentofSW



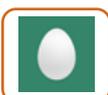
Whether less children entering care is good for their welfare needs to be examined. #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:23 | StudentofSW



#SWSCmedia 2/2 they took longer to enter care, stayed there for shorter periods, and were more likely to be at home at follow-up

21-Aug-12 11:23 | swstudent2



Also the short-term nature of intervention doesn't seem to work for all families, who may have long-standing/chronic problems. #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:23 | StudentofSW



#SWSCmedia positive relationships built with workers in which communication, respect, reliability was noted in interviews

21-Aug-12 11:23 | sustudent1



@SWSCmedia #SWSCmedia ...So intensive targeted intervention is beneficial, esp for families where SM is the only issue

21-Aug-12 11:23 | Student528



RT @SWSCMedia 4th paper Evaluation of an intensive family preservation service for families affected by parental #SubstanceMisuse #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 11:23 | U4Change



@U4Change Your mom affected by parental #SubstanceMisuse #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 11:23 | YourMomBot



Option 2 uses highly skilled worker to assist families at crisis point using MI and solution focused approaches #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:24 | SUSWStudent



#SWSCMedia and when placed in care they were more likely to be placed back home with family

21-Aug-12 11:25 | SWstudent2012



#SWSCmedia therefore is short-term intensive intervention effective at tackling entrenched, complex SM problems?

21-Aug-12 11:25 | swstudent2



study implies that Option2 wrks well with families that have ltd issues but not with families that have more complex issues #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:26 | SUSWStudent



Did this create SU dependency on the workers. what happened when the intervention ended? #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:26 | SUTSWstudent



#SWSCMedia participants were positive about experience but could not maintain positive changes when the service was gone

21-Aug-12 11:26 | SWstudent2012



#swscmedia what time period was this over? Perhaps if relational skills were increased may reduce children going into care in the long term?

21-Aug-12 11:26 | stepupstudent10



#SWSCmedia Why are children taken into care later? and are children being subjected to more harm due to being taken in to care later?

21-Aug-12 11:27 | Stepupstudent12



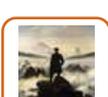
#SWSCmedia Families reported benefitting from having a supportive and available worker who gave them advice and support

21-Aug-12 11:27 | Student528



@SUTSWstudent #SWSCmedia interventions were aimed at 4 weeks, perhaps partly to reduce problems with SU dependency

21-Aug-12 11:27 | swstudent2



@BecciCath @BecciCath Yes, likely. Though those that qualified as Universal plus surely should have persisted or made referral? #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:28 | Yehonola



Was it cost effective considering children still ended up in care? #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:28 | SUTSWstudent



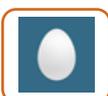
RT @Stepupstudent12: #SWSCmedia Why are children taken into care later? and are children being subjected to more harm due to being taken in to care later?

21-Aug-12 11:28 | SUTSWstudent



Evaluation of an intensive family preservation service for families affected by parental substance misuse: <http://t.co/UixUImdL> #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 11:28 | claudiamegele



#SWSCmedia - What size was the sample group? It sounds like very small piece of research? is it representative?

21-Aug-12 11:28 | Stepupstudent12



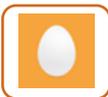
@SWstudent2012 Lack of empowerment to service users by professionals maybe? #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:28 | SWStudent44



@SUSWStudent #SWSCmedia were any suggestions made about working with families with more complex issues?

21-Aug-12 11:29 | Student20122



#swscmedia I know it saved money, but did the intervention improve outcomes for children overall - if they still ended up in care?

21-Aug-12 11:29 | 28Student



@Stepupstudent12 Or is the specialist support maintainng them at home for longer?#SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:29 | SWStudent44



#swscmedia Was kinship care considered in this intervention?

21-Aug-12 11:29 | SPSehmi



@student10 exact time limit of intervention not given but short term nature emphasised. But hugely positive reports from families #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:29 | StudentofSW



@Stepupstudent12 #SWSCmedia Big sample size actually n=279, and follow up was 3.5yrs later

21-Aug-12 11:29 | Student528



@Stepupstudent12 possible children are subjected to more harm as service could only delay them going into care and not prevent it #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:29 | SWstudent2012



@Socialwork Student. Figures showed more cost effective as less children in care for shorter time, even with service cost #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:30 | StudentofSW



@StudentofSW #SWSCmedia the intervention shld identify on going needs, & establish support plans before exit. EI can not be short sighted

21-Aug-12 11:31 | BecciCath



What was the availability of these workers 9-5? #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:31 | SUTSWstudent



@Student20122 the main problem was sustaining positive change once Option2 staff no longer worked with family #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:31 | SUSWStudent



RT @stepupstudent10: So partly successful - will option 2 be being used/piloted elsewhere? #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:31 | Stepupstudent



@SPSehmi #SWSCmedia not discussed, they measured how many children entered care, for how long, and the cost attached - not forms of care

21-Aug-12 11:32 | swstudent2



@Student 28. The study admits that whether not going to care as quick or for as long is better for child welfare needs exploring #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:32 | StudentofSW



@Student528 @SUTSWstudent #swscmedia But if only a 4-week isn't that understandable? Surely much longer intervention needed for long-term.

21-Aug-12 11:32 | Yehonola



@StepUp_London @SWstudent2012 RT the contextual and cultural factors cannot be ignored...#swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:33 | SUStudent99



@SWstudent2012 @Stepupstudent12 #SWSCmedia Although could the positive relationship with practitioners impact future engagement?

21-Aug-12 11:33 | Student20122



@28Student #SWSCmedia 2/2 and in interviews all children commented on increased confidence through positive relationship with worker

21-Aug-12 11:33 | swstudent2



@swstudent2 #SWSCmedia proves the old adage that you can lead a horse to water but can't make it drink. Shows how engagement is important

21-Aug-12 11:33 | BecciCath



@SUSWStudent What is required for families with more complex issues? where the children are likely to be more at risk.. #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:34 | SWStudent44



@28Student #SWSCmedia so children experienced benefits- hard to measure - & perhaps increased their resilience for if they did enter care?

21-Aug-12 11:34 | swstudent2



@BecciCath Thank you & glad you enjoy it... We're in that last 5 minutes of the debate. #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 11:34 | claudiamegele



@Student20122 @SWstudent2012 @Stepupstudent12 #SWSCmedia yes exactly, option 2 was very successful at engaging hard-to reach SUs

21-Aug-12 11:35 | swstudent2



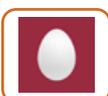
#swscmedia @SUTSWstudent good question!

21-Aug-12 11:35 | Stepupstudent



@Student20122 @SWstudent2012 @Stepupstudent12 #SWSCmedia so good starting point for longer-term engagement with other services

21-Aug-12 11:35 | swstudent2



when service is withdrawn.. do children remain confident with increased resilience #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:35 | sustudent1



RT @BecciCath: @swstudent2 #SWSCmedia proves the old adage that you can lead a horse to water but can't make it drink. Shows how engagement is important

21-Aug-12 11:35 | Stepupstudent



@BecciCath @swstudent2 Maybe it's just a longer walk for some horses... #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:35 | Yehonola



@StudentofSW @Socialwork #SWSCmedia yep, 24/7, and interestingly Option 2 had high levels of staff retention despite demanding work

21-Aug-12 11:36 | swstudent2



Were families positive about the intervention because the approaches used were positive MI and TCA? #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:36 | SUTSWstudent



#SWSCMedia the fact that families could not maintain positive changes suggests that they became too dependent on service #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:37 | SWstudent2012



@BecciCath @swstudent2 Motivation to change must come from within #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:38 | SUStudent99



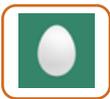
#swscmedia were the professionals trained social workers?

21-Aug-12 11:38 | stepupstudent10



@SUTSWstudent #SWSCmedia and because workers were consistently available, non-judgemental, & yes, offered advice but didn't control

21-Aug-12 11:38 | swstudent2



@swstudent2 yes exactly and provides support for MI and solution-focussed approaches #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:39 | StudentofSW



@Yehonola #SWSCmedia very true, which emphasise the short term nature of some "failed" interventions

21-Aug-12 11:39 | BecciCath



Any final views regarding parental #SubstanceMisuse? #SWSCmedia #Addiction #MHChat

21-Aug-12 11:39 | claudiamegele



@swstudent2 yes often families do not want to work with services as they fear they will be judged their children will be removed. #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:40 | SUTSWstudent



RT @claudiamegele: Any final views regarding parental #SubstanceMisuse? #SWSCmedia #Addiction #MHChat

21-Aug-12 11:40 | U4Change



@stepupstudent10 #SWSCmedia workers drawn from social work and psychology, and had relevant experience and received specialist training

21-Aug-12 11:40 | swstudent2



@swstudent2 @SUTSWstudent reflecting underlying values and ethics of SW practice #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 11:40 | StepUp_London



Thank you for joining us today & for sharing your views... This debate was in place of our debate this later today. #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 11:40 | claudiamegele



Join @MHChat tomorrow for a debate on #Parenting, #Childhood & #Attachment tomorrow 8:00 PM UK / 3:00 PM ET / 12:00 PT #MHCHAT #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 11:41 | claudiamegele



@Stepupstudent @SUTSWstudent #SWSCmedia workers only had one family on their caseload at a time, so always available!

21-Aug-12 11:41 | swstudent2



@swstudent2 #SWSCmedia which should be the fundamental tenant of great SW practice

21-Aug-12 11:41 | BecciCath



@swstudent2 @stepupstudent @SUTSWStudent #SWSCmedia Wow! That would also be very intense for the worker too. V diff to keep prof boundaries?

21-Aug-12 11:46 | BecciCath



@claudiamegele #SWSCmedia yes, definitely! Also interesting how many sw students participating. Wonder if timing wasn't conducive to profs?

21-Aug-12 11:48 | BecciCath



@BecciCath @swstudent2 @stepupstudent Good point! #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:50 | SUTSWstudent



Sleeping pills: Britain's hidden addiction <http://t.co/rIXpwG9c> via @guardian #U4Change #SWSCMedia

21-Aug-12 11:52 | U4Change



#swscmedia it seems parental substance misuse is under-researched and swers and other profs are in need of more training.

21-Aug-12 11:52 | Stepupstudent



More substance misuse services targeted directly at parents #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:55 | socialworktrain



More training for professionals on PSM and the impact on children #swscmedia

21-Aug-12 11:56 | socialworktrain



@BecciCath There'll be more debates after the launch of the new institute for different times zones & on different topics. #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 12:01 | claudiamegele



RT @ManishaMahen: Police chief tells #socialworkers to grasp the reality of #humantrafficking | @BASW_UK <http://t.co/9D5HT2nF> #SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 12:06 | SAGEsocialwork



Where are the #Boundaries between you and others? <http://t.co/0JiNtL6H> definition is important. #swscmedia #mhchat #dadchat #Family

21-Aug-12 12:10 | glengaugh



@claudiamegele I never did respond to your invitation to become an SWSCmedia student ambassador. I felt overwhelmed & incapable 1/2

21-Aug-12 12:10 | BecciCath



@SWSCmedia -too often paternal family not explored. Often it's family members who 1st alerted social workers #KinshipCare #SMSCmedia

21-Aug-12 12:12 | CathyAshley



RT @ComCareRuth Dr Maggie Atkinson reveals children's views of alcoholic parents at #misusingparents2012 #swscmedia <http://t.co/fdXo4r0R>

21-Aug-12 12:28 | BecciCath



@SWSCmedia #SWSCmedia I missed the memo about the debate today- sorry I misses out!

21-Aug-12 13:21 | glengaugh



The Ergo+Paidi Daily is out! <http://t.co/eAZfDp1> ☐ Top stories today via @SWSCmedia

21-Aug-12 14:02 | Mariaergo