

**Foreword by Sarah Parsons:** The Dilemmas in Public Law practice programme is currently with your Heads of Practice for area nominations to be agreed. There are 2 stand-alone days and we'll be looking to repeat these later this year and next if you're not able to access it this time around. The Child Impact Assessment Framework training – which combines what was previously referred to as the Private Law Assessment Pathways, our existing Evidence Informed Practice tools and our child impact approach into one framework – is being delivered in teams between October and end of January 2019. Look out for dates which your HoP is arranging soon.

## Face to Face Training:

### New dates available - Mental Health in the Family Court training

Due to popular demand, there are now further Mental Health in the Family Court training sessions available. This training was originally delivered during 2017-18 by Tavistock and Portman NHS Trust, and was aimed at experienced practitioners working in both public and private law, with the aim of improving ability and confident to comment as experts on mental health issues, affecting both adults and children. The feedback from the training was overwhelmingly positive, with 98% of participants rating it as very useful or useful.

#### The 2018-19 dates are as follows:

- Friday 14th September – Cafcass National Office Bloomsbury, London
- Thursday 8th November - Manchester Piccadilly Gate
- Tuesday 12th February 2019 – Cafcass National Office Bloomsbury, London

All events will run from 10am until 4pm.

These events are available to book on iTrent now. For guidance on how to do this please click [here](#).



### Understanding the impact of cancer at work:

To follow on with our partnership work with Macmillan Cancer in helping managers to support staff affected by cancer, we can now offer a 1-hour workshops for teams. This workshop provides an overview of the impact of cancer at work and aims to help colleagues to consider how they could support those affected by cancer. There are currently spaces available on 2 sessions running at the NBC on 20th September – please book a place on iTrent. This workshop is available to be delivered within team meetings.

Please contact the [Health and Wellbeing inbox](#) for more information.



### Practice Educator Training...

Don't forget there is a two-day training event coming up for FCA's who are interested in becoming a Practice Educator:

- 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> August – Cafcass Oxford

Places can be booked via iTrent Self-Service.



# Self-Directed Learning:

## Dilemmas in public law practice

**workshops:** An email has now gone out to all Heads of Practice asking for nominations for these workshops, which are:

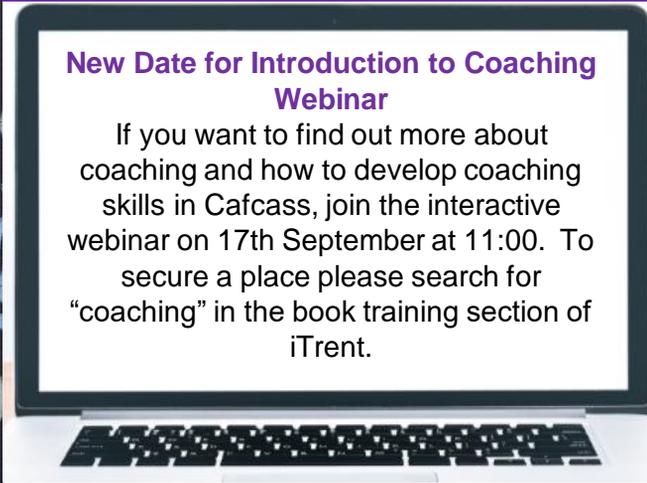
**Day 1** - Dilemmas in public law practice: Deprivation of Liberty and Neglect

**Day 2** - Dilemmas in public law practice: Permanency, Adoption, and Post Separation Contact

If you are interested in attending one of both of the workshops please register your interest with your line manager. These workshops are running from September 2018 to March 2019 in London, Leeds, Manchester and Bristol.

## New Date for Introduction to Coaching Webinar

If you want to find out more about coaching and how to develop coaching skills in Cafcass, join the interactive webinar on 17th September at 11:00. To secure a place please search for "coaching" in the book training section of iTrent.



Don't forget the Practice Experts Programme if you need advice regarding a specialist subject. For more information please click [HERE](#).

## Resources:

**The National Psychology Service** will continue to run as normal throughout the summer holiday period and there are numerous consultation slots available. Click [here](#) to find out how to make a referral.

**The Emerging Talent programme** continues to offer a range of learning opportunities for Cafcass staff who are currently high performing and looking for the next challenge. To find out more visit the [Emerging Talent](#) pages on the intranet. The next deadline for applications is 14<sup>th</sup> September.

## Looking Forward...

### Training events with spaces available:

#### Interviewing Skills in Cafcass (Core)

- 07/08/2018 - Cafcass Birmingham
- 13/09/2018 – Cafcass Bloomsbury London

#### Case Work in Cafcass (Core)

- 06/09/2018 – Cafcass Birmingham
- 02/10/2018 – Cafcass Manchester

#### Risk & Harm in Cafcass (Core)

- 31/07/2018 – Cafcass Bloomsbury London
- 04/09/2018 – Cafcass Manchester
- 11/09/2018 – Cafcass Bloomsbury London

#### Legal Roadshows

- 02/10/2018 – Cafcass Norwich
- 25/10/2018 – Cafcass Bloomsbury London

#### Management Development events

- 04/09/2018 - Successfully Managing Remote Teams - Cafcass Bloomsbury London
- 16/10/2018 - Essential People Management - Cafcass Derby

### Optimising Wellbeing

As promoted in last month's L&D Bulletin, the new Optimising Wellbeing workshops and webinars are available for all staff. These practical learning sessions will provide a research-based learning on 8 key elements of wellbeing which can be improved through making marginal changes to our habits and lifestyle. Feedback from attendees so far has been positive:

*"I found this workshop very useful and feel it will help ensure consistent energy levels throughout the day which will, in turn, lead me to be more productive. I feel that it is great that these workshops are being offered to staff and that the organisation is concerned about our wellbeing. I will cascade the information throughout my team so that those who were unable to attend the workshop are still able to benefit."*

More information on the wellbeing model and the workshops can be found [here](#).

If you have any comments on anything in the bulletin, please contact [learning@cafcas.gov.uk](mailto:learning@cafcas.gov.uk).