



Children's Information Project Webinar

EARLY YEARS PLACE BASED MAPPING

Participant Information

Webinar: Thursday 27th February 2025
Time: 13:00 - 16:00
Venue: Online - Microsoft Teams

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ABOUT THE PROJECT

The Children's Information project funded by the Nuffield Foundation is an innovative collaboration between local authorities and universities to improve the way that information about and from children, young people and families is used in local and national Government. This information shapes and informs the support and services provided to meet and respond to the diverse needs of children, young people and families.

The project is a collaboration involving two County Councils (North Yorkshire and Hampshire), two Borough Councils (Oldham and Rochdale, working with the Greater Manchester Combined Authority), five universities and Research in Practice. The researchers and local authorities work closely together, enabling collaboration and co-production between children, young people, parents and carers, practitioners, managers, data analysts, service leaders and policymakers to understand and shape how information can be used ethically and effectively.



ABOUT THE WEBINAR

Research in Practice are hosting this open invitation webinar as part of the Children's Information Project. The webinar provides a space to think together about the opportunities and challenges of early identification of children's needs to ensure the best start in life.

During the event participants will:

- hear from local authorities who are focused on using data to ensure that all children have the best start in life and start school ready to learn.
- have an opportunity to ask questions, share learning, and hear from subject and technical experts,
- have space to reflect on what might apply to your local development work.

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To book a place in this event, please [get in touch](#).



AUDIENCE

This session will be most valuable for professionals who are thinking about, or have begun developing, systems to support the early identification of need in the early years. Such as:

- local authority leaders, developers, and project staff,
- local authority data and performance and information governance staff, and
- professionals from non-government organisations involved in supporting this development or are working on data maturity.

We value diverse voices, so please get in touch to help decide if the webinar is for you.



PARTICIPATION

During the online participatory session, there will be plenty of opportunity to talk to colleagues and technical experts, ask questions and reflect on what might apply to your local development work.

Some themes include:

- What can speech, language and communication needs tell us about children's outcomes?
- How can children's needs be identified early?
- How can information be used to improve outcomes for children and families?
- What are local authorities doing to ensure children have the best start in life and are ready to learn?

The webinar will be an opportunity to share ideas and insights about improving outcomes from the early years.



PREPARATION

HOW SHOULD I PREPARE FOR THE WEBINAR?

No specific preparation is needed for the webinar but you might find it helpful to reflect upon some of these questions relating to the journey to the identification of needs in the early years...



WHAT ARE OUR ASPIRATIONS FOR CHILDREN IN THE EARLY YEARS?



WHAT STEPS CAN WE TAKE TO IDENTIFY NEEDS?



WHAT EXACTLY DO WE MEAN BY 'SCHOOL READINESS'?



WHAT ARE OUR LOCAL PATHWAYS TO SUPPORT?

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