

FAO: Partners/Stakeholders/Voluntary Organisations/Third Sector Organisations

## Specialist Children's Services - #Engage Event

Specialist Children's Services cares for a range of children and young people who have mental health problems and/or life-long/limiting health issues. We plan to bring these children, young people and their families/carers together to a large scale engagement event.

The format involves children, young people, families and professionals in a variety of information gathering and participation including: world café sessions, e-participation, plenary sessions, presentations and speakers, amongst other activities. Play and entertainment activities for children and young people will encourage participation and engagement, forming a significant part of the day. The event will promote and facilitate service user involvement to form a fundamental basis of planning and future service improvement contingencies for Specialist Children's Services (SCS).

SCS #Engage will be engaging, informative and aimed at improving the health care provided to our service users. Furthermore, this eclectic event will be fun, loud, exciting and unforgettable to all.

SCS #Engage aims:

1. To hear parents, children, young people and multi-agency partner's opinions and feedback on the services provided by Specialist Children's Services and the opportunities for further improvement.
2. To raise awareness of Specialist Children's Services and improve the reach to vulnerable children and young people in NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde.
3. To ensure children/young people and their families/carers enjoy the day and have fun.
4. To ensure a legacy of service user involvement for Specialist Children's Services – continuing the conversation with our children and families for future development.

Who is it for?

SCS #Engage is for all children, young people and families across Greater Glasgow and Clyde. They may or may not be known to SCS and everyone is welcome. We also hope for as many SCS clinical staff, Yorkhill Children's Charity, local Schools, Voluntary Organisations and many more to be well represented on the day. Please help make your patients and families aware of #Engage.

What will be there?

There will be a huge array of engagement opportunities, speakers and presentations, poster exhibitions, activities for children and young people, free parking, refreshments and free access to the Glasgow Science Centre!

Who is hosting #Engage?

Specialist Children's Services will jointly host the event with Yorkhill Children's Charity.

Is the day accessible by all?

Yes. There is disabled access to the building and changing facilities are available. There is also plenty of space for a large attendance!

When is it?

On Monday 30th November 2015, from 11:00 to 18:00 at the Glasgow Science Centre.

Can my organisation exhibit and/or present?

Yes. There is exhibition space available by application for organisations, subject to vetting and consideration via our organising committee panel members. Contact us to register your interest using the details listed below.

Contact Details

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