

People First (Scotland) Parents' Group



We believe that:

- **Parents with learning difficulties can learn and be good parents with the right support**
- **We should get ongoing support so our families to have an equal chance of staying together**
- **We deserve respect**
- **Attitudes need to change**
- **We need information in formats we can understand**














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TRAINING

We have trained:



Parentline call takers	
Children First East Lothian	
Early Years Centre workers	
Students at: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Edinburgh University• Stirling University• Napier University• University of the West of Scotland	
Edinburgh Social Work teams	

<p>Children's Hearing Scotland trainers</p>	 <p>children's hearings scotland</p>
<p>Multi-disciplinary teams</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Orkney • West Dunbartonshire • East Lothian • Glasgow 	
<p>Midwives in</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forth Valley • Lothian • Glasgow <p>with Royal College of Midwives</p>	
<p>Volunteers at Edinburgh Homelink</p>	
<p>Workers at Family Solutions, Edinburgh</p>	
<p>Contributed to Scottish Government DVD and training pack on child protection and disability</p>	


POLICY







We have taken part in:



<p>Working Together with Parents Scottish Network</p>	
<p>Early Identification Group</p>	
<p>Edinburgh Special Interest Group</p>	
<p>Writing Keys to Life recommendation 38</p>	
<p>Round Table on Supported Parenting</p>	

We gave input to:

<p>Scottish Good Practice Guidelines on supporting parents with learning disabilities (2009) and (2015)</p>	
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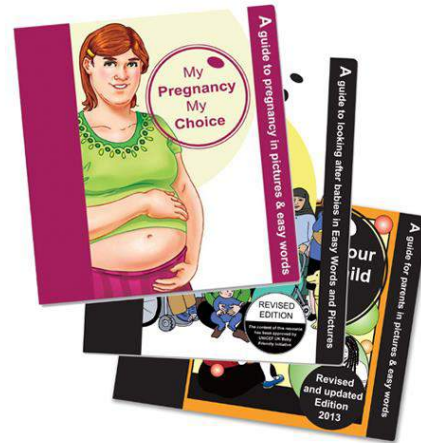
<p>Health Visiting Pathway</p>	
<p>Guide to Supported Parenting</p>	
<p>National Parenting Strategy</p>	
<p>Shadow Delivery Plan on the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities</p>	
<p>Scottish National Action Plan on Human Rights</p>	
<p>Scottish Government Guidance on Children and Young People Act 2014</p>	
<p>...and many more</p>	

INFORMATION

We have helped to:



Make the CHANGE books available in Scotland



Write an easy read version of the Good Practice Guidelines for supporting parents



Write an easy read *Top 10 Tips for Starting Primary School* Leaflet with Parenting Across Scotland



Make DVDs for parents:

- Going to a Children's Hearing
- Starting Primary School
- About GIRFEC
- About advocacy



Write an easy read guide to Wellbeing and GIRFEC



Write easy read letters and agendas for child protection meetings (with Edinburgh Council)



Write easy read letters about Children's Hearings (with SCRA)



Write

- A practice note on inclusive communication
- Easy read letters agendas for Child's Planning meetings
- A summary child's plan (with Scottish Government)



CONFERENCES

We have run workshops
and given speeches at:



NHS Health Scotland early years conferences	
SCLD women's day	
Engender event for disabled women	
SCLD conferences on inclusive research	
The Inclusion Institute	
And many more....	

RESEARCH

We have helped with:



<p>Evaluation of the use of the CHANGE books with NHS Health Scotland</p>	A stack of books including 'My Pregnancy My Choice', 'A guide to pregnancy in pictures & easy words', 'Our Child', and 'A guide to pregnancy in pictures & easy words'.
<p>BASW enquiry into adoption</p>	A magnifying glass focusing on a survey question: '1. What do you think about it?' with options 'Good', 'Bad', and 'Not sure'.
<p>Research on parents experiences of children's hearings</p>	A group of people sitting around a table, engaged in a discussion or meeting.
<p>Research about mutual caring</p>	A hand marking a survey question: '1. What do you think about it?' with options 'Good', 'Bad', and 'Not sure'.
<p>Research about disabled parents' involvement in their children's education – on steering group</p>	A woman and a child sitting at a table, working together on a project or document.