

Biographies



Ruth Gardner, PhD FRSA

Ruth Gardner is Advisor, Children's Services Development and Delivery at the NSPCC and has combined practice, research and writing throughout her career.

Research and practice development projects with partner organisations have included support for children's speech, language and communication; GP responses to abuse and neglect; involving and listening to young people; and neglect in Serious Case Reviews.

From 2010-13 Ruth was Head of Strategy & Development for neglect and with colleagues scoped and developed a programme of preventive and treatment services for children and families that has been implemented and evaluated.

A new book on child neglect is due out summer 2016: Gardner, R. (ed.) Tackling Child Neglect: Research, Policy and Evidence-Based Practice: Jessica Kingsley Publishers.

Jenny Myers, MA CQSW

Jenny Myers is a registered social worker and an experienced organisational consultant, facilitator, chair and child protection sector specialist, specialising in expertise around social care, child sexual exploitation and child protection both in the UK and Internationally.

She has worked across numerous sectors running her own safeguarding consultancy company and undertaking case audits, investigations, policy development and serious and other case and learning reviews. Jenny currently chairs two LSCBs in the UK and is Vice Chair of an international NGO Keeping Children Safe.

Jenny was Head of Safeguarding for Barnardo's where she held the organisational lead for improvement across the adult and children's safeguarding agenda, including training & policy development, advising on serious incidents, serious case reviews, practice improvements, management of allegations, audit and compliance work.

Jenny is also a Local Government Association peer reviewer and an associate consultant for the NSPCC, Barnardo's and Research in Practice.

Julie Quincey

Julie Quincey is one of the Designated Nurses for Safeguarding Children and Adults within the Hosted Safeguarding Team covering the three CCGs.

Prior to this she was the Named Nurse for four years at Northampton General Hospital and led a team of safeguarding nurses.

Clinically Julie worked in Specialist CAMHS in Kettering as the Lead Primary Mental Health Worker and later as service manager for ten years.

Prior to this Julie worked as Health Visitor in a number of deprived estates.

Julie has designed the LLR neglect toolkit the aim of the toolkit is to give practitioners an objective assessment to outline concerns within families where neglect may be a feature.

Julie is a Registered Nurse and Health Visitor and holds a degree in Child Mental Health Nursing.