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Parenting newsletter November 2020



Welcome

Welcome to the [Parenting across Scotland](#) (PAS) newsletter. The Coronavirus crisis and lockdown has changed life beyond recognition for all of us, creating huge difficulties for families and those who support them. This newsletter shares some current information about how Covid-19 is affecting families.

Practice

We asked our partners how the families they worked with have been affected by the pandemic.

Aberlour - Liz Nolan, Depute Director of Aberlour, [talks about how the families it works with](#) have been affected by the pandemic.

Families Outside - Nancy Loucks, CEO of Families Outside, talks about the [effect lockdown restrictions have had on prison visits](#) and families.

One Parent Families Scotland - Satwat Rahman, Director of One Parent Families Scotland, [talks about how the families it works with were struggling before this crisis.](#)

Scottish Adoption - Margaret Moyes, CEO of Scottish Adoption, [talks about how the families it works with have been affected.](#)

Scottish Families Affected by Alcohol and Drugs - Justina Murray, CEO of Scottish Families Affected by Alcohol and Drugs, talks about how the lockdown and subsequent restrictions have been [very challenging for the families it works with.](#)

Research and policy

Research

We have pulled together [current research about families in Scotland](#). Articles include 'Challenges from the Frontline - Revisited' by NSPCC Scotland and Barnardo's Scotland, evidence from parenting interventions research and Working Families research looking at how we can 'build back better'.

There are also links to additional research about the effect of Covid-19 on families in Scotland.

Policy

UNCRC Incorporation (Scotland) Bill - PAS is fully supportive of the UNCRC and see incorporation as a significant milestone in supporting families to bring up their children. [Read our consultation response here](#).

Equal protection - Scots Law is changing, PAS is delighted that From 7th November children will have the [same protection as adults from assault](#).

Resources for practitioners

National resource for relationships, sexual health and parenthood (RSHP) - [The national resource for relationships, sexual health and parenthood \(RSHP\) education](#) for children and young people can be used to support delivery of the RSHP

education curriculum in early years settings, schools, colleges and community-based learning.

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