

# Relevant Networks in Residential Care of Young Persons

## United Kingdom



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## INTERNATIONAL

- International Federation of Educative Communities – FICE - <http://ficeinter.net>  
FICE-International was founded in 1948 under the patronage of UNESCO in Trogen (Switzerland). It maintains contacts with UNESCO, UNICEF, Council of Europe and ECOSOC. It is also a member of the UN-NGO-Group on the Rights of the Child and member of ENSACT. FICE-International contains more than 30 countries – FICE sections – from Europe, Africa, America.
- European Children’s Network - <http://www.europeanchildrensnetwork.org>  
The children’s network informs about international interests and rights of children and bases its activities on the 1989 UN Convention on the rights of children under the age of 18. The network wants to ensure that these rights will also be considered in future EU regulations. Its members include organisations, enterprises and individuals.
- International Association of Social Educators - <http://aieji.net/>  
The purpose of AIEJI is to emphasise and promote the philosophy of social education and its uniqueness in being actively involved in partnership with clients, working with them, not only individually but in groups, families, communities and the social environments towards the development of their strengths and in resolving personal, social, and community difficulties.

## UNITED KINGDOM

- National Centre for Excellence in Residential Child Care (NCERCC) - <http://www.ncercc.co.uk/>  
Is the principal reference point in all aspects of work pertaining to the sector. The organisation is an independent partnership of residential child care practitioners. Together, the members work to deliver evidence and experience informed leadership and support for improvements in both policy and practice
- National Institute For Social Work - <http://www.nisw.org.uk/>  
Founded in 1961 and following proposals featured in the Ministry of Health Working Party on Social Carers/ Workers in the Health & Welfare Services in 1959, the National Institute for Social Work has been operating throughout the United Kingdom and abroad, offering support to users, carers, practitioners, managers and policy makers and organisations.
- Secure Accommodation Network - <http://www.securechildrenshomes.org.uk/secure-accommodation-network/>  
A core group of members develops and leads SAN practices within secure children's homes in England and Wales. The core group holds regular meetings and assigns SAN members to be representatives on a range of organisational, government and regional practice and development initiatives relation to secure accommodation when necessary. SAN holds 2 or 3 annual national meetings for members, stakeholders and partner organisations to share good practice and agree on a range of service development and improvements.

- NWG Network - <http://www.nwgnetwork.org/>

The NWG is a charitable organisation formed as a UK network of over 13 000 practitioners who disseminate our information down through their services, to professionals working on the issue of child sexual exploitation (CSE) and trafficking within the UK.

- The Together Trust- <https://www.togethertrust.org.uk/>  
The Together Trust has a wide range of residential homes and services, located in the North West of England for children, young people and vulnerable adults aged between 5 and 30 years.
- London Youth - <http://londonyouth.org/>  
London Youth is a network of diverse community youth organisations serving young people of all backgrounds right across the capital.

- **CELCIS** - <https://www.celcis.org/>  
Based at the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow. Promotes the best use of available evidence about what works well for vulnerable children and their families as well as what works well in relation to systems change. Partners include carers, social workers, teachers, nurses, charities, the police, local authorities and the Scottish Government.
- **Scottish Residential Childcare Workers Association** - <http://www.srccwa.com/index.htm>  
This association aims to provide opportunities for practitioners and others to come together, benefit from one another's knowledge and experience, raise concerns, plan and take action, and strengthen the voice and professional identity of residential child care workers more generally.
- **The Scottish Social Services Council** - <http://www.sssc.uk.com/>  
The Scottish Social Services Council (SSSC) was created under the Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001 by the then Scottish Executive to protect people who use services, raise standards of practice and strengthen and support the professionalism of the workforce.

- Children in Wales - <http://www.childreninwales.org.uk/>  
Children in Wales is the national umbrella body for organisations and individuals who work with children, young people and their families in Wales. Its members are drawn from the voluntary, statutory and professional sectors.
- Care Forum Wales - <http://www.careforumwales.co.uk/>  
Care Forum Wales is a not-for-profit organisation with more than 450 members across Wales. It was set up on March 1, 1993 to give health and social care providers a collective voice in the debate about how to provide the best outcomes for those who need social care. They work closely with the Welsh Government, commissioners and regulators to shape policies that focus on making sure people receive high-quality care. Every year they organise the prestigious Wales Care Awards, a celebration of the hard work and dedication of the social care workforce.

- Northern Ireland Social Care Council -

<https://niscc.info/>

NISCC is helping to raise standards in the social care workforce by registering social care workers; setting standards for their conduct and practice and supporting their professional development. Council Members, Partnership Committees and working groups within the organisation involve people who use services, carers, workers, employers, education providers, trade unions and representative bodies. This ensures that all stakeholders are given a voice in setting standards and improving social care in Northern Ireland.