

# SurvivorScotland

A National Strategy for Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse

Scottish Government Seminar

## **Tom Shaw Historic Abuse Systemic Review: One Year On**

## **SurvivorScotland: Progress and Potential**

Tuesday 25th November 2008

Apex International Hotel  
Grassmarket, Edinburgh



This event is free, but places are limited. Please register your attendance as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

# Welcome

## **In Care and Institutional Abuse**

*'Children are the most valuable and yet the most vulnerable group in society.'* Tom Shaw 2007

The Tom Shaw Historical Abuse Systemic Review: **Residential Schools and Children's Homes in Scotland 1950-1996** provided an invaluable contribution to our understanding about the attitudes towards children placed in residential care and the systems that governed residential schools and children's homes in Scotland.

This seminar will detail progress to date following the publication of the review in November 2007 and its recommendations. The Government's response to the wider concerns on the long-term effects of childhood sexual abuse through the SurvivorScotland strategy will be presented along with new developments.

## **About SurvivorScotland**

In 2005, the Scottish Government launched the National Strategy for Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse. This sets out a strategic way forward to improve services for survivors, to ensure greater priority and joined-up working in national and local mainstream services, and improve the lives of all who have suffered childhood trauma.

Increasing knowledge and awareness of childhood abuse is central to improving support for survivors, and to creating a climate where abuse is recognised, its consequences tackled, and most important of all, effective steps are taken to prevent it happening in the first place.

## Who should attend

- Children's services workforce, including social workers and foster carers
- Education professionals
- Health care professionals
- Independent care and support providers
- Local authority professionals
- Policy makers, researchers and academics
- Professional bodies and Royal Colleges
- Survivors
- Third sector service providers, advocacy and campaigning organisations

# Agenda

<b>09.00-09.30</b>	Registration and refreshments
<b>09.30-09.45</b>	Ministerial address <b>Welcome and introductions</b>
<b>09.45-10.15</b>	Keynote address Tom Shaw – Independent Expert appointed by the Scottish Parliament to lead the review. Former Chief Inspector of Education and Training in Northern Ireland: <b>Findings of the Historic Abuse Systemic Review and Progress One Year On</b>
<b>10.15-10.45</b>	Romy Langeland – Chair of the Scottish Institute of Residential Child Care and the National Residential Child Care Initiative: <b>Improving Scotland’s Residential Child Care: The National Residential Child Care Initiative</b>
<b>10.45-11.00</b>	Refreshments
<b>11.00-11.30</b>	Janine Rennie – Manager In Care Survivors Service Scotland, a partnership led by Open Secret: <b>In Care Futures</b>
<b>11.30-12.45</b>	Parallel sessions <b>Residential Care Strategy, Public Records Review, Research, In Care Survivors Service, Multi Agency Referral Service</b>
<b>12.45-13.45</b>	Lunch
<b>13.45-14.00</b>	Jean Maclellan – Head of Adult Care and Support Division, Scottish Government <b>SurvivorScotland: Progress and Potential</b>
<b>14.00-14.30</b>	Survivor Voices
<b>14.30-15.45</b>	Parallel sessions <b>Acknowledgement and Accountability Forum</b>
<b>15.45-16.00</b>	Refreshments
<b>16.00-16.45</b>	Future commitment
<b>16.30</b>	Close of seminar

Attendance for parallel sessions will be arranged on the day of the seminar  
Agenda subject to change.

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