**SOUTH EAST SECTOR LED IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME**

**MODELS OF SOCIAL WORK – CALL FOR EVIDENCE**

The objective of this piece of work is to share and develop new models of social care practice that fit the times. Authorities are questioning their models of social care practice. Some are seeking to integrate early help and social care and would value some collective thinking about how these services are delivered in this new context. Some large LAs have been spending significant amounts on consultancies to deliver major systems changes. We will investigate the options for shared learning and other collaborative approaches to support new models of practice.

The first stage of this work is to collate information about models of practice that are being used across the region. We will then have an overview of models that are currently in use and an overview of the evidence of success and the impact of models of practice. We will then seek to develop an understanding of what works and why, within the context of different types of Local Authorities and also develop an understanding of the challenges associated with the models. The project will culminate in a conference to be held in spring 2020, with associated publication of the different models of practice.

**Please complete this questionnaire and return it to Diane Williamson, SESLIP consultant at** **dianewilliamson27@gmail.com** **by 16th November 2019**

**Guidance Notes**

1. Please provide contact details of your lead officer for contributing to this piece of work, this may be the Principal Social Worker.
2. Please give brief bullet points in answer to the questions and then attach any supporting documents in the evidence column. e.g. overview of models, practice guidance; success criteria; KPIs; evaluation report; evidence of success.

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| **Local Authority** |  |
| **Name of contact person** |  |
| **Email address** |  |
| **Position** |  |
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|  |  | **Evidence** insert attachments or links |
|  | **Model of practice** |
|  | **What model(s) of practice are currently in use in your LA?**E.g. Family Safeguarding; Signs of Safety; Please attach any operational guidance or link to the model. |
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|  | **When did you start to use the model(s)?** |
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|  | **Who uses the model and at what stage in the child’s journey?**  E.g. Early Help practitioners; social workers; partners? Early Help; Duty and Assessment; Long Term CIN CP; LAC; specialist servicesPlease insert structure chart if appropriate. |
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|  | **What are the key components of the model?** E.g. Strengths based; motivational interviewing; multi-disciplinary teams; co-location  |
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|  | **Evidence of success** |
|  | **Do you have a set of KPIs to measure success?** (if so please attach) |
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|  | **How is the model evaluated?**Please attach terms of evaluation  |
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|  | **What evidence do you have of success/impact on outcomes for children?**E.g. This could be evaluation reports; progress reports for DFE; service user feedback; voice of the child |
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|  | **What evidence do you have of impact on outcomes for the organisation?** E.g. Workforce -impact on caseloads, recruitment/retention, health surveys; budgets and resources; partnerships and multi-agency working |
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|  | **What are the main challenges with the model?**E.g. capacity; ongoing training; cultural change; financial sustainability |
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|  | **Costs and Funding** |
|  | **What are the costs and over what period?** E.g. staffing; training; tools and resources, evaluation |
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|  | **What are your sources of funding and how much?** E.g. DFE, LA one-off investment, LA core funding, Multi-agency contribution |
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|  | **What are your average social work caseloads?** |
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|  | **Future involvement in this project** |
|  | **Are you interested in being part of the reference group for this project?** |

***Thank You!***