

Every Contribution Matters: Stay Safe Outcome

Every Contribution Matters is a joint project between the East and South East regions voluntary and community sectors that work with children, young people and their families. The work is sponsored by the principal regional agencies that provide support to the sector, including; two DSCF funded programmes (Safe Network and VCS Engage) and the two regional umbrella organisations (RAISE and COVER) and both Government offices.

The research began in the late autumn in the eastern region exploring the Be Healthy and Making a Positive Contribution outcomes, the early results have provided the momentum to secure resources to deliver two parallel pieces of work in the South East region.

The research's aims are to; articulate the contribution the sector makes to Children Trusts delivering on this outcome, explain the performance arena in which these contributions take place and identify priorities for the sector and its partners whose implementation will help the sector continue to deliver its distinctive contribution to the outcome. The research will specifically look at;

- The contribution the sector makes to Children Trusts including LSCB and PCT's achieving their Safeguarding targets or outcomes..
- **Case studying geographic and thematic exemplars of VCS best practice that can be aligned with the outcome.**
- Provides an analysis of the environment in which these contributions are made and the performance framework against which they are assessed.
- Identify priorities for the sector and its partners, including CAF based integrated practice whose implementation will help to ensure the sector can continue to deliver its distinctive contribution to this outcome.

The research will be published on 1st June 2010 and will complement the Ofsted/Ipsos-Mori surveying work by providing additional qualitative evidence of good practice. The commissioners have also incorporated a formal opportunity to hear the results at Children Matter East's annual conference '**Every Contribution Matters**' at the British School of Racing on Tuesday 15th June 2010. To book early please contact Janice.Mossey@cover-east.org

What do you need to do? in addition to signing up for the event the research focuses on a case study approach collecting and reflecting best practice, **so this is an opportunity to get your organisation and its work centre stage.** The project is being led by Justine Henderson from Willoughbys Ltd, working jointly with ETC. Justine can be contacted at 01245 363778 / 07919188998 or willoughbys@mac.com