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Key resources for social workers in their Assessed and Supported Year in Employment (ASYE)

The ASYE supports newly-qualified social workers (NQSWs) to develop knowledge, skills, and confidence through practice in the field. On entering practice for the first time, social workers need to balance academic learning with the everyday complexities of social work.

This selection of learning resources can be used by NQSWs to support evidence-informed practice with children and families.

Read

Longer read: [The impact of parental substance use on child development: Frontline Briefing \(2020\)](#)

Longer read: [Using narrative practice in direct work with children, families, and adults: Frontline Briefing \(2024\)](#)

Longer read: [Social work and child development in the early and middle years \(ages 0 to 11\): Frontline Briefing \(2024\)](#)

Longer read: [Using attachment theory in children's social care: Frontline Briefing \(2025\)](#)

Tools

[Enabling and embedding creative participation in child and family social work: Practice Tool \(2022\)](#)

[Parental mental health: Frontline Tool \(2018\)](#)

[Analysis and critical thinking in assessment: Resource Pack \(2014\)](#)

[Completing social work chronologies: Practice Tool \(2022\)](#)

[Using genograms in practice: Practice Tool \(2024\)](#)

[Understanding, exploring and supporting children's identity development: Practice Tool \(2023\)](#)

[Learning Pathway: Critical reflection and analysis \(2025\)](#)

Watch

1 hour 25 minutes: [Recovery, work-life balance, wellbeing: how to switch off: Recorded Webinar \(2021\)](#)

34 minutes: [Promoting anti-racism in social work: Video \(2021\)](#)

[Working with trauma-experienced parents in children's social care: Video Learning Resources \(2022\)](#)

35 minutes: [Attachment theory for children's practitioners: Videos \(2025\)](#)

Listen

40 minutes: [Ensuring children's life stories are at the centre of direct work: Podcast \(2022\)](#)

2 parts 18-30 minutes: [Reflections on accessing care records and supporting good recording: Podcast series \(2021\)](#)

Reflect

Reflect on and record your CPD using the button on each resource page. You can also bookmark and share resources with colleagues. Log and review your reflections in '[Your CPD](#)'.

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