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Happy New Year from the NELTP

We at the North East London Social Work Teaching Partnership would like to thank you for your trust in our services. We wish you a successful and joyous New Year!

We have lots of exciting plans for the new year, and we look forward to our on-going collaboration to bring the best support to our teams and service users.

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Celebrating the Achievements: Impact of the Action Learning Sets



Recently, we had celebrated the achievements of social worker professionals from the Partnership who completed a short course provided by London Metropolitan University. Funded by the Department for Education, the course equips social workers with the knowledge and skills to set up and facilitate action learning sets (ALS) and embed the principles of ALS in their work to support strengths-based practice.

The unique structure and aims of the training were co-designed with multiple social work professionals, leading to the training comprising of group exercises, work-based practice, along with self-reflection that aided individual and organisational learning.

Feedback has been very positive – although not without its challenges, people have shown real commitment and creativity in how they have put these principles into practice. [**Read More Here**](#)

Join the Knowledge Exchange Programme!

The North East London Social Work Teaching Partnership invites members of the teaching partnership, including practitioners from the Local Authorities and academics from the Higher Educational Institutes to partake in our knowledge exchange programme.

This is Academics going into practice, and practitioners delivering academics in their experienced field of social work.

This programme provides students in Social Work to gain insight of real world experiences of social care in different fields through both practitioners and academics who have gone into practice.

If you are interested, please email Maisha Siddique with your interest at nelswtp@gmail.com

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[FEEDBACK] The Social Worker and the Mentor



The Great Hall was filled with excitement as social work professionals and students gathered for an event like no other in November. Three London Metropolitan University MSc students in Social Work took the initiative to invite Nana and Rob, the dynamic duo behind The Social Worker and the Mentor podcast, to create a space filled with thought-provoking topics and networking opportunities. This event was driven by students who recognised the need for authentic discussions about real-world issues related to Social Work and Education professions.

They wanted to go beyond surface-level conversations and curate an interactive session to help students and professionals enhance their skill sets in preparation for professional practice. Over 100 attendees from across and beyond London came together to reflect on their professional journeys. Social workers, psychologists and teachers – all those who share a common goal of improving society through their work. [Read More Here](#)



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Partnership Updates

Employability Conference at London Metropolitan University

An Employability Conference will be held at LMU for their social work students on Thursday the 15th of February, 2024 from 10:00 - 14:00. There will be guest appearances from local authorities from our partnership, who would help provide information about ASYE opportunities in their borough. We also have a guest speaker from Social Work England who would give advice and guidance relating to the role of the regulator. The LMU team is looking for colleagues at the NELTP to volunteer to provide information about different ASYE information.



If you would like to volunteer, please send your interest to nelswtp@gmail.com

Anti-Racist Practitioner Workshop at University of East London



The UEL Social Work team would like to invite you to participate in a one day workshop that will be offered to Level 5 and 6 social work BA (Hons) students. The theme of the day will be Developing as an Anti-Racist Social Work Practitioner. They are proposing this as an additional recall day within the practice learning calendar. They are inviting a range of people with lived experience, professionals, practitioners, researchers and UEL student alumni to continue our exploration of anti-racist social work practice through various lenses.

Developing as an Anti-Racist Practitioner Workshop Day
Thursday 25th January 2024 9.30 am-5 pm
Royal Docks Centre for Sustainability
UEL Docklands Campus (Cyprus DLR).

Their current level 5 and 6 students will also have an opportunity to engage with past students and Practice Educators to receive insights and feedback on their experiences in the Assessed Year of Employment (ASYE). Additionally, the session will support Level 5 social work students in getting ready for their statutory placement and give them an opportunity to develop a network of support. Please send your interests to nelswtp@gmail.com

Useful Information

Digital Library Access

If you are interested in accessing the digital library provided by London Metropolitan University, please use the link below to request access. A member of the team will come back to you with further information:

<https://neltp.org.uk/web/neltp-enhanced-membership/>



Skills for Care Network



Established in 2001, Skills for Care is the strategic workforce development and planning body for adult social care in England. They work with employers, Government and partners to ensure social care has the right people, skills and support required to deliver the highest quality care and support now and in the future.

They work across the whole system to understand the key drivers of workforce change using insight, data and evidence. They provide managers and those involved in the delivery of social care with guidance on best practice, tools, resources and intelligence to support workforce recruitment, capabilities, and culture. This combination of strategic and operational activity is the cornerstone of our reach and insight into the sector.

Their vision is of a fair and just society where people can access the advice, care and support needed. This can't be delivered without multiple collaborations. By working with many partners, they're able to bring together a vast array of expertise, support, and influence – which in turn increases the impact and reach of our work. Convening and developing networks is one of our core strengths.

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