



Scotland – Becoming a Trauma-Informed Nation

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SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Iain Smith

Partner, Keegan Smith, Defence Lawyers

Iain Smith has been a Lawyer for almost 28 years. He is the founding partner of Keegan Smith Defence Lawyers in Livingston. He co-founded the Trauma Aware Lawyers in 2020. Committee of West Lothian ACEs Hub since 2018. Former Trustee now active Member of Aid & Abet. Contributor to RRT Sub-group.

In 2019 he was the Runner-up Herald Solicitor of the Year and in 2020 he was awarded the Scottish Lawyer of the Year at the Scottish Legal Awards.



Dan Johnson

Forensic Psychologist and the Clinical Director at Kibble Education and Care Centre

Dan Johnson is a Forensic Psychologist and the Clinical Director at Kibble Education and Care Centre. He worked as a residential care worker prior to training in forensic psychology in the Scottish prison service where he was awarded a Butler Trust Certificate Award for violence prevention.



He has been Honorary Lecturer at Glasgow Caledonian University and Visiting Researcher at the Centre for Youth and Criminal Justice (CYCJ). He is a Fellow of the Churchill Memorial Trust, researching international models of trauma care.

He is chair of the ACAMH Scottish branch and also leads the national Interventions for Vulnerable Youth service.



Pauline Scott
Managing Director, TIGERS and Founder/Owner, Lullaby Lane Nurseries

Pauline Scott is the Managing Director of TIGERS & and founder and owner of Lullaby Lane Nurseries.

She has 20 years' experience of leading teams, within the retail, training & development, and early years sectors.

Pauline has worked to ensure relationships occupy a central role in the values, practice, policies, and vision of her businesses. Co-founder of ACE-Aware Nation, and founder and mentor of "Inspiring Women in Leadership (IWIL)".

Pauline is passionate about creating practice models that are steeped in scientific evidence. She is fascinated by human behaviour, and is a reformed perfectionist.



Lena Carter
Head of Secondary Teaching and Learning, West of Scotland

Lena Carter has been teaching and working in education since 1992. She trained in England and taught Drama and Modern Languages in Cambridgeshire, London and Cumbria before moving to The Outer Hebrides and then Argyll in Scotland. Early in her career, she also trained in Dramatherapy and Counselling Skills and this training gave her very useful insights into the emotional needs of children and young people, as well as nurturing practices. She has held a range of middle and senior leadership roles and had significant experience of timetabling, curriculum design and tracking and monitoring.

She writes and speaks extensively on a range of issues related to inclusion and equity and models being a Professional Human.

She was seconded in 2019/2020 (from her Head of Secondary Teaching and Learning post) as the Education Lead for Care Experienced Children and Young People in her local authority and was a lead on the Trauma Informed Children's Services Workforce steering group. She returned to her substantive post in school in January 2021.

Lena tweets as @lenabellina and blogs at lenabellina.wordpress.com

