

The Big Listen Research to help authorities in the South improve the recruitment and retention of Children’s Social Workers – SESLIP have funded a piece of research to improve understanding of how we can better support children’s social workers working in the region. The first part of this research is focus groups to explore what we can do as a region (and as individual authorities) to attract and keep good social workers. The focus groups are for specific cohorts of staff (Managers, Social Workers, Agency Social Workers etc). Staff can book on the groups by following the links in the table below. I have also attached a flyer that can be shared directly with staff.

Action Requested: Please can you pass on to your managers and encourage your staff to book places on the focus groups.

Information gathered at the focus groups and through the survey will be used to develop a South East Regional Work force strategy.

Focus Group for	Date	Time	Follow link to book a place
Local Authority Employed Social Work Managers	Tuesday 22nd November	11am - 12pm	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/453148237577
Local Authority Employed Social Workers	Thursday 24th November	9:30am - 10:30am	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/453198457787
Agency Social Workers and Managers	Monday 28th November	11am - 12pm	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/453224786537
Social Workers in their Assessed and Supported Year in Employment (AYSE)	Wednesday 30th November	9:30am - 10:30am	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/453230212767
Student/ Apprentice Social Workers	Friday 2nd December	9:30am - 10:30am	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/453237986017

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