

# THE NATIONAL JOINT INVESTIGATIVE INTERVIEWING PROJECT

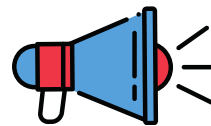
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## TEAM NEWS

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A warm welcome to Lindsey Lee who starts in the National JII Team this month, joining Lorrette Nicol, Valerie Tweedie, Jennifer Morrison and Mark O'Donnell as part of the training and practice development team. Jillian Ingram and Helen Pasquale continue in their roles, supporting implementation.

## ANNOUNCEMENT



We are delighted to announce that Dumfries and Galloway have been confirmed as our third pilot site. Work to prepare local conditions to support implementation of the Scottish Child Interview Model for joint investigative interviewing has already begun with enthusiasm and the National JII Team are very much looking forward to working with Dumfries and Galloway colleagues.

## PROGRESS SNAPSHOT



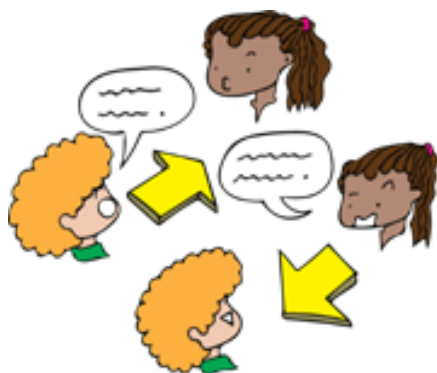
Our first two pilot sites - Lanarkshire and North Strathclyde - are progressing well. Both specialist cadres have now completed all five modules of the National JII Training Programme and are putting those newly acquired skills and knowledge into practice. Pathways to capture data and evidence are being embedded and partners are working closely together to facilitate successful implementation into practice. Around 400 children in Scotland have now experienced the new model of practice and the local sites are building pathways to hear directly from them about these experiences.

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## LEARN-DEVELOP-COLLABORATE

The National JII Team have set up a new Knowledge Hub group for people to access information and research in relation to forensic interviewing and the development of practice in Scotland and beyond. We encourage you to connect with us and we are excited to share and collaborate through this fantastic digital platform. Join us here: <https://khub.net/group/scottish-child-interview-model-development-group-research-ongoing-learning>

## EXCITING OPPORTUNITY



- Are you an experienced practitioner?
- Would you like to gain more insight into the Scottish Child Interview Model in action?

We are seeking volunteers to take on the role of the child in simulated interviews during the new National JII Training Programme at the Scottish Police College, Tulliallan, throughout 2021. Great opportunity for some valuable CPD! Contact us now if you are interested: [JointInterviewProject@scotland.pnn.police.uk](mailto:JointInterviewProject@scotland.pnn.police.uk)

These newsletters are for all partners in child protection work. They provide information regarding the new approach to joint investigative interviewing of children in Scotland, and all work related to improving this aspect of protecting children and young people. You can access previous newsletters and other information at: <https://bit.ly/34w4HsM>

## CADRE COORDINATOR ROLE

Effective management of the new specialist interviewer cadres is critical, not only for the efficient operation of the team but, equally importantly, for the wellbeing of the interviewers. Both sites have cadre coordinators providing dedicated managerial support to these joint teams and are building in pathways to access additional wellbeing support as and when required.

Lanarkshire have undertaken some reflection on this role, drawing on feedback from the interviewers and would like to share this: <https://bit.ly/34w4HsM>

## A WORD OF ADVICE

*My advice for any area considering starting to implement the new model would be to consider the practical issues prior to going live".  
Davey, North Strathclyde Child Interviewer.*

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This word of advice is supported by Lanarkshire who built in an early feedback loop for their interviewers to ensure learning from their initial go live stage was fed back quickly into the local system. Based on this, they worked with the National JII Team to develop a Practical Operations note with some top tips to help other areas. You can find that here: <https://bit.ly/34w4HsM>