



FREE WORKSHOPS FOR HEALTH VISITORS: The future direction of health visiting

Last year we worked with the Department of Health (DH), members and others to develop the health visitor model of practice, and later the service model that looks at the contribution of health visiting to the health of children, families and communities. The government has since launched the health visiting implementation plan, outlining the actions required to add 4200 additional health visitors to the workforce by 2015.

We are pleased to announce that we are running a series of events across the regions of England with the support of the DH to assist your use and understanding of this document, look at the opportunities it brings and examine how you can improve services for the children, families and communities you are working with.

We now have the 'when' and 'what', but now is the time to understand the 'how'. For this ambitious change to succeed, we need practitioners to change some of what they do. These events will consider the different issues and how best to address various elements that are relevant to you. We all need to understand the incentives and levers that we can use.

During the day we will discuss the 'call to action' of the implementation plan. We hope these actions will re-energise the profession, update your knowledge and skills and even provide you with some new ones.

The workshops are free and places are limited, so if you are a health visitor or team leader, register your interest now – please email: **jeremy.sullivan@tenalps.com** or **Tel: 020 7878 2487**.

The following free workshops are planned for May and June:

- Leeds – **Quarry House, 6 June**
- Derby – **The Riverside Centre, 7 June**
- Birmingham – **Conference Aston, 8 June**
- Torquay – **Riviera International Conference Centre, 13 June**
- Sunderland – **venue to be confirmed, 22 June**
- East Malling – **The Conference Centre, 23 June**
- Liverpool – **Jurys Inn Hotel, 28 June**
- London – **venue and date to be confirmed**