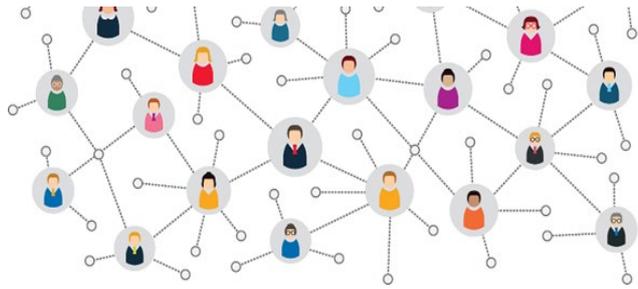


# research in practice



Welcome to **January's** edition of Research in Practice newsletter! Wishing you all a happy and healthy New Year.....

## [Set up your account!!](#)

You cannot access this key resource, without setting up an account. If you have not already done so, please set up an account by following the instructions [here](#). This is quick and easy, and you can also watch this [film clip](#) which shows you how to create an account and gives a quick overview of the website.

## [New Signpost sessions!](#)

After the success of the regular online Information Sessions and Engagement Support Sessions, Research in Practice are pleased to be able to add another series of monthly sessions to the series for 2022. Signposts are 30-minute topic-based sessions which highlight key resources to support practice, along with details of where to find them. As with the other sessions in the series, no booking will be required, simply follow the link on the day. Please see attached flyer to detail dates, links and the topics being covered. The first range of topics over the next 3 months are:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 12.00 – 1.15pm - **Supervision**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 12.00 – 1.15pm - **Emotional Resilience**
- 6<sup>th</sup> April, 12.00 – 1.15pm - **Reflective Practice**

## [News and Updates!](#)

- **A guide to continuing professional development for social workers - [Practice Guide](#)**. It's important to undertake [continuing professional development](#) (CPD) to enhance your professional attributes, knowledge, understanding and skills. The Research in Practice Guide to CPD for social workers, and accompanying learning resources, will enable you to make evidence-informed decisions and continue to develop in your role.
- **Blog on [Using case law to support practice, decision making and CPD](#)** . Research in Practice produce monthly [Case Law and Legal Summaries](#) that aim to reduce barriers and support practitioners to keep an up-to-date knowledge of the significant judgments that are made in the courts. These summarise influential and significant judgments, giving an overview of the case details, a summary of the judgment and its implication for practice, and relevant links to wider reading and resources. Click [here](#) to see the **Legal Summaries Overview of 2021**
- **The Leaders' Forum 2021** explored a whole system view of how welfare and care is resourced beyond financial funding and considered the wider economic benefits of welfarism.

This series of blogs from Dyfrig Williams and Claire Williams explore the key points from the conference:

- [Using co-production to generate value](#) - As part of our focus on resources, we looked at the effect of co-productive models for social care, their efficacy and their role in wider systems change.
- [Communities as a resource to support social care and welfare](#) - How do we enable people to contribute to systems challenges and influence positive change in their local area?
- [A strategic approach to facilitating community growth](#) - We explored the variety of ways in which 'resources' might be understood within the social care and welfare sector.

## Workshops and Events

### **Understanding suicide and homicide risk in family carers – 9<sup>th</sup> February 12.00-1.00pm, online**

This webinar will help social care professionals understand the risk of suicide and homicide in family carers. It will be a chance to hear the latest international evidence, share your own experience of supporting at-risk carers, and help shape emerging practice and policy to prevent deaths by suicide and homicide.

### **An introduction to the Power Threat Meaning framework- 15<sup>th</sup> February 2022 12.00 -1.00pm, online**

The [Power Threat Meaning Framework](#) (PTM) can be used as a way of helping people to create more hopeful narratives or stories about their lives and the difficulties they have faced or are still facing. This webinar will introduce practitioners to the framework and how it can be used in social care, considering this from both a children and adults perspective.

### **Intersectionality and Older People: Partnership Conference – 17<sup>th</sup> February 2022 9.00am – 3.30pm, online**

An integral part of social care practice is the protection and promotion of the rights of people with care and support needs. Central to this is ensuring that people of all ages, with all of their diverse characteristics, have equality of opportunity and are not excluded or discriminated against. This year's [adults Partnership Conference](#) will consider how both practice and policy with older people can be designed using an intersectional lens.

### **Assessment and Intervention considerations when working with older people who use alcohol and other drugs – 14<sup>th</sup> April 19<sup>th</sup> May and 23<sup>rd</sup> June 10.00am – 3.30pm, online**

This interactive workshop will explore how the strengths, needs and preferences of older adults who use alcohol and drugs might be most appropriately considered by social care professionals during assessment conversations and when planning support, in a way that respects individual entitlements, rights and safety.

The workshop will include presentations, case studies, reflective activities, and small group interactive sessions.

**Please gain your Line Managers approval before requesting a place on these sessions.**