



Irish Association of Social Workers  
Cumann na hÉireann um Oibríthe Sóisialta

## December Newsletter



A VERY BIG thank-you to the members who make the time to share their practice knowledge and expertise at our CPD events. You make a difference to the development of the profession!! Thanks!

### IASW Office Christmas Opening Hours



The IASW office will be open until Friday, 23rd December. It will reopen on Monday, 9th January.

### CORU CPD Portfolio



Santy was in touch to say that all the social workers who are up to date on their CPD Portfolio are on his Nice List and will get lovely presents. Members on the Naughty List might like to

December 2016

### Dear member

I would like to wish you a very happy and a peaceful Christmas. Hopefully it will give you time to recharge your "batteries" and have time with your family. I hope you have received the excellent Practitioner Research Edition of the IASW Journal,



perhaps you might get time to read it over the holidays, but remember to record your learning in your CORU CPD portfolio when you do so, as the first CORU CPD audit is just over five months away. Many thanks to Sarah Donnelly and Carmel Halton for all their work editing the journal. The IASW Journal Committee is already working on the Summer journal. I would like to thank on your behalf, all those members involved on the IASW Board, Council and the various special interest groups, working to promote excellence in social work practice on behalf of those we work with. The role of Chair is made so much more easier when you are part of a great team. Finally thanks to Clíona, our CPD officer, and Sharon who is doing a great job covering for Danielle our office manager. Hopefully 2017 will be a good year for all of us.

We really are stronger together.

Frank Browne  
IASW Chair



### IASW Upcoming Events

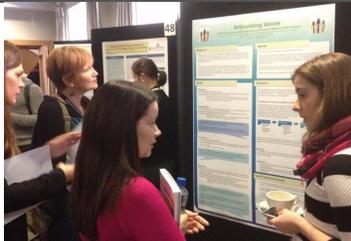
To secure your place at an IASW event, **you need to book and pay online**. You can do this by visiting the relevant events page on the website, clicking on the **Book Now** button at the top of the page and completing the booking form.

make it their New Year's resolution to spend time with their IASW CPD folder and to visit [IASW CPD Resources](#) section at [www.iasw.ie](http://www.iasw.ie)  
Only 6 months left to the end of the audit cycle!

### IASW Fitness to Practise Insurance Protects 42 Members in 2015

The IASW pays €35 for each working member for Fitness to Practise Legal Protection. No matter how unwarranted a complaint is, legal protection is important. 42 complaints were made against members who availed of Fitness to Practise insurance in 2015. Members subject to complaints have spoken positively of the legal support that they have received, and so far all complaints against members have been dismissed at the preliminary proceedings committee. Click [here](#) to find out more about [Fitness to Practise Legal Protection](#).

### Social Work at HSE HSCP Research Conference



Well done to the social workers who did the profession proud at the HSE's HSCP Research Conference 'Improving Health - Research Driving Innovations in Healthcare' yesterday in Dublin Castle #HSCPResConf2016. Members of the IASW Practitioner Research SIG were out in force!

To avail of the member rate you need to use the e-mail address you use for your IASW membership.



### FULLY BOOKED - Working with Families with a Child with ADHD

Thursday, 9th February, Registration 9.00, Workshop 9.30 - 4.30

Wisdom Centre, Sophia Housing, Cork Street, Dublin 8

IASW members €20/Non-members €40

Price includes lunch and refreshments

Social Care Ireland and the Irish Association of Social Workers are coordinating a full day workshop with Dr. John Sharry for social care workers and social workers engaged with families with a child with ADHD.

### Report Writing and Court Room Skills

Friday, 10th February, Registration 9.00, Event 9.30 - 4.30

Sheraton Hotel, Athlone

IASW members €55/non-members €125

Price includes lunch and refreshments

La Touche Training have been commissioned by the IASW to provide a one day course on report writing and courtroom skills tailored to meet the needs of social workers across a range of settings.

### Managing and Implementing Change: An Organisation Development Approach

Thursday, 23rd February, Dublin venue tbc

IASW Members €20/non-members €40

A full day workshop for social work managers. See event page for details of how to apply.

### DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - Professional Ethics, Boundaries and Social Media

Wednesday, 8th March at the Education & Research Centre, Our Lady's Hospice, Harold's X, Dublin

### The CARE-Index Assessment

Week 1: March 29th - 31st 2017

Week 2: April 19th - 21st 2017

Week 3: May 23rd - 25th 2017

Education and Research Centre, Our Lady's Hospice, Harold's X, Dublin

This training is offered at a **reduced rate of €1,085 to IASW members only (usual cost €1,200 - €1,400)** to include: all teaching, manual, reliability test, refreshments and lunch. Skills training in risk assessment and patterns of interaction between infants and their carers. The training will be led by Rebecca Carr-Hopkins, Crittenden accredited CARE-Index trainer.

### FULLY BOOKED - Working with Families with a Child with Anxiety

Thursday, 6th April, Registration 9.00, Workshop 9.30 - 4.30

Wisdom Centre, Sophia Housing, Cork Street, Dublin 8

IASW members €20/Non-members €40

Price includes lunch and refreshments

Social Care Ireland and the Irish Association of Social Workers

are coordinating a full day workshop with Dr. John Sharry on a solution focused approach to working with families with a child with anxiety.



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