

Conference

Strategic alternatives to school exclusion

12th November 9.30-4.30

Methodist International Centre
81-103 Euston Street, London, NW1 2EZ
Cost: £175 including refreshments, lunch and materials

The organisers of this conference, Carl Parsons and Adam Abdelnoor, are leading researchers and activists in addressing disciplinary exclusions from school. This conference is about reducing or eliminating the need for exclusion by good organisation of educational provision to meet the full range of needs.

This conference is primarily for local authority education leaders, local children's trust managers, behaviour support team leaders, school cluster leaders, headteachers and senior teachers and others concerned with political and strategic decision-making on educational inclusion.

Conference objectives:

- Communicate strategies used by local authorities to reduce fixed term and permanent exclusions
- Debate the potential benefits of zero school exclusions
- Extend understanding of the full range of provision which can count as 'educational'
- Develop understanding of the means by which a low or zero exclusion strategy can be created and sustained at local authority level

Benefits to delegates:

- Learn how to apply the six point inclusion strategy which low excluding LAs successfully use
- Understand in detail, four exemplary projects which will dovetail with your existing strategy
- Discover effective ways to reduce costs and increase effectiveness of alternative provision
- Free resource pack containing:
 - 'A concise guide to community-based inclusion' which will help influence the strategic and political agenda in your locality.
 - Copy of Carl Parsons' book *Strategic Alternatives to Exclusion from School* (2009, Trentham Books)
 - Copies of the presentations
 - Information and action sheets

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Conference programme

- 9.30am Coffee
- 10am **Welcome:** Roger Slee
Professor of Inclusive Education, London Institute of Education
Founding editor of the International Journal of Inclusive Education
- 10.15am **Plenary: Values and Strategies for Inclusion – the Six Point Strategy**
Carl Parsons, Professor of Education at Canterbury Christ Church University
Adam Abdelnoor, Chief Executive of the inclusion charity INAURA

Delegates will be split into two workshop groups:

- 11am – 12.50pm **Workshop A: THE LOCAL AUTHORITY STRATEGIC ROLE**
- Zero exclusion, speedy response and case work approach**
Gren Knight, Wolverhampton LA, Chief Educational Psychologist/ Head of Social Inclusion
- Zero exclusions and alternative provision**
Paul Tinsley, North Lincolnshire LA, Advisory Officer for Learner Engagement
- Low exclusions and doing the deal with schools**
Kathryn Boulton, Blackpool LA, Head of EBSD and EOTAS
- Low exclusions and reforming the role of the PRU**
Gill Ellis, Sheffield LA, Service Manager - Personalisation and Inclusion
John Bigley, Sheffield LA CYPD, Access Local Delivery Manager
- 11am – 12.50pm **Workshop B: FOUR MODEL PROJECTS**
- School cluster 1** Shared use of Internal Inclusion and Day 6 provision - North Lincolnshire
Denise Wraith, Foxhills Technology College
- School cluster 2** Managed moves – Birmingham City Council
Pat Day, Area Inclusion Officer
- School cluster 3** Alternative curriculum – 7KS integrated educational services for inclusion
Tony Hammond, Founder and Chairman of 7KS Ltd
- School cluster 4** Inclusion and multiagency working – Lancashire Local Authority
Carmel Foster, Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic High School
- 1pm – 1.50pm Lunch
- 2pm – 3.50pm **Workshop B FOUR MODEL PROJECTS**
- 2pm – 3.50pm **Workshop A THE LOCAL AUTHORITY STRATEGIC ROLE**
- 4pm – 4.15pm Key messages for the day
- 4.15pm – 4.30pm Tea and networking