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Dear Colleague,

As you may know, the West of Scotland Child Protection Network has now been established for over 6 years. The Network is currently considering its future work plan and would value your input to this.

The West of Scotland Child Protection Network brings together a multi-disciplinary, multi-agency group to look at the development of education, standards, joint working, patient involvement and service development for child protection across the health boards in the West of Scotland. It includes NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde, NHS Forth Valley, NHS Dumfries and Galloway, NHS Ayrshire and Arran, NHS Lanarkshire, Strathclyde Police and Who Cares Scotland, our Steering Group and a West of Scotland CPC Chairs Representative.

You may be aware of some of the previous work of the Network which includes:

- A series of successful conferences under the umbrella banner "How would your life be?" Conferences have included Emotional Abuse in 2007, Child Sexual Abuse in 2008, Abuse of Infants in 2009 and upcoming conference on Parental Risk Factors. Conferences have been attended by up to 300 professionals across all aspects of child protection.
- The creation of a leaflet for young people on "All you need to know about a forensic medical". The leaflet shows an illustrated journey through a FME and was developed with young people.
- The development of "Guidance on the Management of Children Referred with Anogenital Warts (AGW)"
- Reporting on Health Board Workforce Planning for child protection in the West of Scotland.

The Network are planning to hold a forward planning event on the 2nd December and we would be grateful if you could let us know if there are pieces of collaborative work that you think could be supported by the Network. Please contact Karyn Robertson (karyn.robertson@nhs.net) with your input by the 29th November for inclusion in the forward planning event. We hope that you will contribute to this important forward planning exercise in order that the Network can best support everyone.

Yours sincerely,

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Network Chair