



# A.C.E News

## May 2018

KEEPING UP TO DATE WITH A.C.E

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## What is on this month with A.C.E?

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### Who is A.C.E for?

Anyone who is currently living at home with social work support, with friends or family in kinship care, with a foster carer, in a children's home or anyone who has previously lived in any of these but has now left care up to the age of 26.

### Your Rights

Every child has the right to express their views, feelings and wishes in all matters affecting them, and to have their views considered and taken seriously. This right applies at all times, for example during immigration proceedings, housing decisions or the child's day-to-day home life.

– UNCRC Article 12

Every child must be free to express their thoughts and opinions and to access all kinds of information, as long as it is within the law.

– UNCRC Article 13

### LCT Grants are now open!!

Applications for individual grants are now open, you could be awarded up to £500 so apply now!! For more information or to apply contact: [YoungPersonsGrant@acvo.org.uk](mailto:YoungPersonsGrant@acvo.org.uk)

### Practice Improvement Event

This is a notice for all professionals who are, or are thinking about, attending the practice improvement event. This is on the **23<sup>rd</sup> May** at the **Beach Ballroom**, A.C.E will have a stall if anyone would like to say hello or come speak to us please do!

### Champions Board Prep Session

We are holding a prep session for our next Champions Board. It is compulsory for any young person who wants to attend the Champions Board to attend this session! This is on the **13<sup>th</sup> June** at **Westburn Centre (116 Westburn Road, AB25 2QA)**

We are re launching A.C.E and we have loads of new exciting groups and events!!



### Sports Group 12+

Our sports group will be running again from the **31<sup>st</sup> May** at **Torry Sports Centre**. This will run every 2 weeks from 6pm – 7pm term time only. Contact Laura for more information.



### Kilt Walk

On the **3<sup>rd</sup> of June** we are taking part in the Kilt Walk raising money for Who Cares? Scotland. The registration fee will be covered by WC?S and ANYONE can take part this is not just for young people! Contact Laura if you would like to join us!



### A.C.E Group

Our A.C.E Group (after a bit of a break) is now on! Our next A.C.E group is on **24<sup>th</sup> May** and then **7<sup>th</sup> June**. We hold our A.C.E group at **Westburn Centre (116 Westburn Road, AB25 2QA)** from **5:30pm – 7:30pm**. This is a group for people aged 12 and over who are **PASSIONATE** about having their views heard and who want to make a change! This group runs every two weeks.

Get in touch if you'd like to come along!

### Champions Board

Our next Champions Board is on the **20<sup>th</sup> June**. Young people can only attend this if they have been actively involved with A.C.E and have been to the prep session on the **13<sup>th</sup> June**.

For more info, contact Laura.



### Council Tax Exemption

Are you aged between 18-25 and were still living in care on your 16<sup>th</sup> birthday? You could be eligible for council tax exemption/reduction from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018.

Apply online at:

[www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/services/council-tax/care-leavers](http://www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/services/council-tax/care-leavers)



### Who Cares? Scotland Alumni Event

This is a reminder for anyone who isn't, or doesn't want to be, a 'young person' anymore and wants to be involved in higher level influencing of national policies through Who Cares? Scotland. There is a creative writing workshop which you can attend on **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May** from **2pm – 5pm** at **Westburn Centre**.

Contact Laura for more information.



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If you are:

- interested in becoming involved in A.C.E in any way, shape or form
- finding out more information about any of the services
- full of ideas about other events or activities you would like to see

Contact Laura on [lbailey@whocarescotland.org](mailto:lbailey@whocarescotland.org) or 07515330681 or follow us on social media using @AberdeenACE

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