Neglect has a profound impact on the emotional and social development of children and presents very specific challenges to professionals in health and social care. Neglect is a continuum and may go unnoticed and unrecognised. Families where neglect is the main issue often have multiple problems and require an enormous amount of support with very little result. However, children who are neglected rarely seek help of their own accord, instead depending on professionals to determine the depth and seriousness of the problem and its impact. Where neglect is identified, professionals may still struggle to make sense of the child’s presentation and so find it difficult to determine a threshold for intervention.

The day will equip professionals with useful frameworks for analysing the impact of neglect at various points on the continuum and focus beyond recognition on strategies for effective interventions including using the GIRFEC frameworks to clarify concerns and develop effective Child Plans where neglect is a key concern.

Four workshops offer opportunities to delve into practical applications to direct work with children and families.
PROGRAMME

Grasping the Thistle of Neglect
Friday February 27, 2015
Marriott Hotel, Argyle Street, Glasgow

09:00 Registration and Coffee
09:15 Welcome & introduction
09:30 Neglecting Neglect: Perspectives from attachment, neuroscience and child psychotherapy
Graham Music, Consultant Child and Adolescent Psychotherapist at the Tavistock and Portman NHS Foundation Trust
10:30 Themed workshops (repeated in the afternoon)
1. A child’s perspective on neglect
Debbie Hindle, Consultant Child Psychotherapist, Human Development Scotland
Andrew Dawson, Consultant Child Psychotherapist, Greater Glasgow and Clyde
2. Glasgow infant & family team: working with infants who have experienced neglect
Julia Donaldson, Consultant Clinical Psychologist
Jenni Ashmeade, Consultant Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist, NSPCC GIFT Project
3. Clinical experience of using narrative assessments with young children who have suffered neglect
Susie Reade, Mental Health Practitioner, Meadows sexual trauma service,
Child & Adolescent Mental Health Service, Edinburgh
Gita Ingram, Trainer and Consultant, Edinburgh
4. Building resilience following experiences of neglect - strategies informed by children and young people’s experiences
Sally Wassell, Child Care Trainer and Consultant
Brigid Daniel, Professor of Social Work, Stirling University
11:30 Break
12:00 Seeking help for child neglect - perspectives for children and parents
Brigid Daniel, Professor of Social Work, Stirling University
12:45 Lunch
13:30 Attempting to raise the bar in our society against neglect: the Solihull Approach
Hazel Douglas, Director Solihull Approach, Heart of England NHS Foundation Trust
14:15 Themed workshops (repeated from the morning)
15:15 Break
15:45 Current obstacles to recognition of neglect and how to overcome them
Danya Glaser, Visiting Professor, UCL Institute of Child Health
16.30 Conclusion and close
Please complete (in type or BLOCK CAPITALS) for each place required:

**Grasping the thistle of neglect**
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Telephone: 0131 229 5465, info@hdscotland.org.uk

**Booking Information** (Fee includes lunch and refreshments). Please reserve:

- ☐ 1 full price place at **£195** (private sector organisations)
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- ☐ 1 public sector/large voluntary organisation place at **£150**
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- ☐ 1 small (turnover < £150,000 pa) voluntary organisation place at **£85** [availability is limited]

- ☐ 1 HDS member/student place at **£80** [availability is limited]

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**WORKSHOPS — You can attend two of the four available workshops**. Please indicate your preferred sessions (numbered 1 to 4 on the programme) by entering the session number next to your preferred choice below. We will do our best to allocate you to your 1st and 2nd choices but cannot guarantee to do so.

1st choice _____ 2nd choice _____ 3rd choice _____ 4th choice_____

Please indicate:

- ☐ I require wheelchair access/have mobility difficulties (please specify below)
- ☐ I have special dietary requirements (please specify below)
- ☐ I have other special needs (please specify below)

**Additional/specific needs**

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**Payment Details**

Please send payment/purchase order number along with your booking form. Please note we will be unable to confirm your place without payment

- ☐ I enclose a cheque for £ ____________ made payable to ‘Human Development Scotland’
- ☐ Please invoice me quoting purchase order number ____________

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- Work as appropriately accredited practitioners in psychological therapies, counselling, coaching and related fields in ways which respect individual needs and values
- Understand the importance of personal and professional relationships and their impact on people’s mental health and emotional wellbeing
- Work effectively, demonstrating compassion, continuity, clear communication and shared decision-making, in order to relieve distress and suffering
- Increase the resilience and capabilities of the individuals, groups and communities they work with

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