

SPEAKERS AND PRESENTATIONS

SPEAKER	PRESENTATION
Emily Baker	Introducing the When I am Ready Evaluation
David Westlake	The Basic Income for Care Leavers in Wales Evaluation - overview of the pilot and the evaluation
Bethan Wilson	Getting Ready Project

KEY HIGHLIGHTS FROM DISCUSSIONS

- There was a strong focus on improving transitions for care experienced young people, helping them move from care to adulthood safely and successfully through extended care arrangements, financial support, and practical preparation
- Relationships and early practical support matter as much as financial help
- More collaboration to improve child outcomes, developing research ideas together, and exploring priorities

SUMMARY

Presentations were received on support for care experienced young people in Wales which highlighted the importance of relationships, practical guidance and financial support during transitions from care to adulthood.

Members agreed that initiatives can complement one another and committed to continuing discussions on collaboration to improve outcomes for children.

CALLS FOR ACTION

Ensure care experienced young people have trusted relationships and practical guidance from foster carers, personal advisors and mentors

Invest in earlier preventative support

Improve choice and coordination across support pathways, increase awareness, protect genuine choice, and better understand how multiple interventions work together to improve outcomes.

