

SoHPS

Newsletter July 2026



Welcome to the SoHPS newsletter!

Here you will find all the latest news, events and information for registered HPS.

SoHPS 3rd Annual Conference Children at the Heart of Healthcare How Play is Improving Outcomes and Experiences 26th June 2026

SoHPS would like to thank everyone who contributed towards such an engaging and informative event:

Delegates, Spread a Smile, UCLH Education Centre, poster contributors and above all, the amazing presenters, without whom, there would be no conference.

A big 'congratulations' to the SoHPS award winners:

CPD Profile of the year: **Jenny Dyer**

Peg Belson award: **Cath Hubbuck** 'iSupport': Rights based standards

Photos from the conference can be found at the SoHPS Facebook group

NEW

Workforce Development Web Pages

The SoHPS Workforce Development group have been working hard to support the development of the profession by publishing several exciting new resources on the new website pages.

To find out what the SoHPS Workforce Development Group is all about...

[Click here](#)

Coming soon.....
useful resources and
Play Service sample
documents

[Click here](#)

For Best Practice &
Guidance
documents...

[Click here](#)

Who we work with...

[Click here](#)

We'd love to hear about
your good practice!
Have a go at evidencing
your service developments
or specialised practice...

[Click here](#)

Have you joined NHS
Futures? and other
useful links...

[Click here](#)

We did...

You said...

*You asked for a generic
Play Policy that can be
adapted to your setting

*We have written a
generic Play Policy that all
registered HPS can use
and adapt to their own
workplace.

*Look out for this
publication on the
Workforce Development
Pages*

**Play Service Sample
Documents & Templates**

Did you know the **Registration Committee** meets after the re-registration period is complete to review and update the

Audit Profile and Guidance documents.

Updates will be shared directly with Registrants via email and posted on the website

**Inspire new play specialists -
Mentor an HPS student**

SoHPS Mentor Training Sessions

New & Refresher Part 2

Wednesday 26th August
10:00-12:00

Tuesday 8th September
4:00-16:00

Wednesday 16th September
10:00-12:00

Book via the 'mentor training' tab on your user page

For further information please email:
mentortraining@sohps.org.uk

Already a mentor?

Join our new mentor community with our monthly mentor meetings! More details soon to come on the 'Regional networking' page [here](#).

We'd love to hear from you!

It's great to share events and successes via our facebook page, send information and any photos to Margaret at admin@sohps.org.uk

The Board:

15 volunteers.

Six main workstreams:

- Registration
- Governance and Finance
- Continual Professional Development
- Education and Research
- Workforce Development
- Professional Standards Authority.

Supported by our Registration Coordinator and Administrator

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[Facebook group:](#)

