

Improving Support for Care Leavers in Higher Education

The event will take place in Central London (venue to be announced) | Tuesday 2 July

10.15 **Registration & Refreshments**

11.00 **Chair's Introduction**

11.05 **[Government principles](#) to guide the sector on improving care leavers' access and participation in HE**

- Outreach: collaborating with local authorities and schools to engage with looked after children and encourage them into HE
- Offer on website: providing clear and accessible information on your offer to care leavers
- Accommodation support: providing priority access and safe, subsidised accommodation for care leavers
- Financial support: ensuring an inclusive and high-quality student experience by offering additional financial support
- Designated member of staff: appointing at least one designated member of staff to understand care leavers and signpost them to the appropriate support
- Support networks: combatting loneliness and isolation to overcome mental health challenges and improve retention
- Careers advice: tailoring careers advice specifically to care leavers

⇒ ***Amy Woodworth, Policy & Campaigns Officer, Become***

13.15 **Networking Lunch**

14.00 **Turning guidance into practical strategies and sharing good practice**

- Delivering a comprehensive offer: support from pre-application to post-graduation
 - Addressing barriers to student success and closing the gaps in attainment
 - Good practice in sharing student's circumstances with relevant staff
 - A whole-institution approach: discussing positive experiences & examples of successful practice
- ⇒ ***Beth Taswell, Access and Support Officer (KU Cares), Access, Participation and Inclusion***
- ⇒ Further speakers to be confirmed

15.30 **Chair's Concluding Remarks & Event Close**

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