



**Early Intervention Across the West Midlands
Conference Programme
14 July 2009
County Showground, Stafford**

Registration		8.45 – 9.30
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Refreshments available• Service Provider Marketplace• Entertainment provided by West Hill Primary School Steel Band	
Opening Remarks and Introductions	County Cllr Veronica Downes, Cabinet Member for Schools, Staffordshire County Council	9.30
Introduction of Speaker	David Kidney MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State at The Dept of Energy & Climate Change	9.40
Presentation	Graham Allen, MP	9.45
E.I. Policy – National Context	Nick Lawrence, Deputy Director, Head of Families at Risk Division, Department of Children, Schools and Families	10.15
Questions to Speakers	Chaired by David Kidney, MP	10.45
BREAK		11.10
Best Practice in Early Intervention from around the Region	5 Presentations (1 session per delegate)	11.30
LUNCH		12.30
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Shifting the Emphasis towards Early Intervention	Honor Rhodes, Director of Development, Family and Parenting Institute	1.15
Group Discussion Sessions		1.40
	Based on what you have heard in the morning sessions, what are the key barriers in taking this forward in practice? What actions could organisations take to address and overcome these barriers as they affect:: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Workforce Development• Parenting• Children's Centres and Extended Services• Voice of the Child	
BREAK		2.40
Introduction of Speaker	David Kidney, MP	3.00
Presentation	Rt Hon Iain Duncan Smith, MP	3.05
Panel Q&A	All Presenters & Speakers, Chaired By David Kidney, MP	3.30
Closing Remarks	David Kidney, MP	3.50
Conference Close		4.00