

# investing in the future of social work

an initiative to embed high quality social work practice in the north east

The 'Investing in the Future of Social Work' initiative aims to build on the recommendations of the Social Work Task Force and on previous work done in the region - including the Radisson report, developed from a conference held in 2009. It will aim to contribute to the development of a regional action plan to address the Task Force recommendations in the North East.



## programme

There will be two stages to the 'Investing in the Future of Social Care' initiative.

### stage one

Two half day events - in the North and South of the region - to engage social work practitioners in identifying the challenges to achieving a vigorous culture of professional development in the north east. These events are supported by Skills for Care, CWDC, ADASS and ADCS in the North East.

#### north

Baltic Mill, Gateshead  
2nd February 2010  
9.30 - 12.00  
Lunch provided

#### south

Wynyard Rooms, Billingham  
4th February 2010  
09.30 - 12.00  
Lunch provided

These events are open to social workers, practice educators of social work students, mentors and supervisors of social workers engaged in continuous professional development (including NQSWs and PQ candidates), line managers of social workers and those responsible for the developmental supervision of social workers.

### stage two

4th March 2010  
Radisson Blu Hotel, Durham

A day conference featuring a key note speech from Hilton Dawson (Chief Executive, BASW), and an address from a member of the Social Work Task Force, offering ample opportunity for discussion and planning to address the challenges identified in Stage One.

This event is open to stage one participants plus those responsible for managing and deploying resources to address these challenges. This will include middle and senior managers with both operational and workforce development responsibilities.

# register your interest

Please complete this form clearly and return to Skills for Care to book your place on these events. Your confirmation and a full programme will be sent out no later than 1 week before the events.

**name**

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**job title**

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**organisation**

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**address**

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**telephone**

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**email (please print clearly)**

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**special requirements (including dietary)**

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Please indicate which event you wish to attend

Stage one - North - 2nd February 2010

Stage one - South - 4th February 2010

Stage two - Durham - 4th March 2010

Signed

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Please return to: Skills for Care, DBH Business Centre, Coxwold Way, Billingham, TS23 4EA, fax to 01642 345669 or scan and email to [northeast@skillsforcare.org.uk](mailto:northeast@skillsforcare.org.uk).