OUR AIMS

1

To create a manual of 'Best Practice' for working cross-culturally and with Black and Minority Ethnic individuals and families.

2

To train and instill cultural fluency and confidence in the workforce dealing with young people with UASC status, including social and education practitioners, youth workers, and healthcare professionals.

3

To ensure Scotland's Care System reflects the country as an increasingly multi-cultural space.

USEFUL RESOURCES

The Promise Scotland Website
https://thepromise.scot/what-is-the-promise/about

The Indepedent Care Review
https://www.carereview.scot/

Plan 24-30 -
https://thepromise.scot/resources/2023/plan-24-30-an-update.pdf

Learn About 'Care Experience' People -
https://thepromise.scot/what-is-the-promise/care-experienced-people

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THE PROMISE SCOTLAND



Why the Promise?

Scotland has known for a long time that its "care system" isn't working. It's not done as much as it could to make sure care experienced children grow up loved, safe and respected.

This comes at a real cost:

- A human cost, because of the impact it has on the people in and around it.
- A financial cost, because money isn't spent in a way that supports people.

In 2020, Scotland made **the promise**. For over three years, the Independent Care Review listened to care experienced children, young people and families. Their input produced:

- Detailed reports which outlined how Scotland should care, and
- Evidence frameworks which set out the research backing the promise, and addressed the gaps care experienced people identified.

To #KeepThePromise, a lot has to change across Scotland. In Plan 21-24, there are 25 actions to be taken so this change can happen.

And that promise is achievable by 2030.

PROJECT ESPERANZA 'KEEPING THE PROMISE' STATEMENT

We have been listening to and learning from the experiences of children and young people in order to improve the lives of children and young people in the care system and are committed to it.

We care about all children and young people but we focus more on children and young people from multi ethnic families and unaccompanied minors who arrive here to Seek Asylum.

WHO WE ARE

A Womanist initiative dedicated to bringing race and faith-sensitive support to women of African and multi-cultural heritage in Edinburgh.

PROJECT ESPERANZA



We believe that The Promise has not been properly kept for some Black and multi- ethnic children and young people; as well as those with UASC status (Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children). We observe that sometimes some of the five foundations of Family, Voice, Care, People and Scaffolding are not always met.

This is why we are committed to contributing to the new structure of care being proposed in Scotland which is centred on children and families, and we will input extensively using cultural lenses to support multi -ethnic families.