Child poverty introduction

# Welcome to the Child poverty learning hub.

The hub is aimed at staff in public services that come into contact with families and children and anyone working to improve outcomes for children and families.

This includes staff in NHS boards and health and social care partnerships, local authorities, the wider public sector and parts of the third sector that work with families and communities.

# Why is it important?

Child poverty is a big problem in Scotland. Child poverty is not inevitable and a combination of the right actions at national and local level will tackle child poverty.

Working through this hub will help staff in local areas develop an awareness of child poverty and prompt them to think about actions that address child poverty.

The hub is made up of 5 sections. We recommend you start with the Overview of child poverty in Scotland and the Drivers of child poverty sections. These sections will provide context for the other sections.

The hub is designed to be flexible so you can dip in and out of each of the sections.

You can work through the hub on your own or with colleagues.

Throughout the hub, you will have the opportunity to hear from parents about their experiences and the impact of poverty on them and their children. It also includes an opportunity to record your thoughts on the reflective activities in your learning journal.

We hope you enjoy the hub.