West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership

## **Adversity, Trauma and Resilience**

## Our Calderdale Vision 2024 is to build resilience in children and families



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**Director of Childrens Services** 

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I work for Calderdale Council and I pledge that our social workers, foster carers and residential staff will be trained in how to deliver trauma informed care to children looked after. This will improve relationships and trust as carers understand the child and their history and better meet their needs.

Calderdale has 100 schools and our education teams work to support children with additional needs, to improve attendance, attainment and reduce exclusion. Understanding the impact that trauma can have on a child's behaviour will be a key aspect of this support and building understanding in our school communities.

We are proud of our Vision 2024 where we show kindness and care to our children and their families. Our aim is for children and families to be treated with respect; to reduce adversity and poverty for families and use strength-based practice. Families are experts about what support they need; they want to tell their story once. Our pledge is to provide the right support at the earliest opportunity, to promote family resilience and reduce the need for specialist services.

