Skills Development Scotland

National CIAG Education team:
Support for Local Authorities 2023/24

The SDS National CIAG Education team works with local authorities to broaden and deepen our engagement with schools and other partners. We offer a range of approaches that can be tailored to complement existing authority-based support for DYW and career education.

Engagement with local authority groups and networks

Contribute to strategic and operational local authority networks to provide:

- Professional learning
- Offer information and guidance
- Explore potential collaboration and plan implementation

Professional learning

To complement school activity, we can contribute to authority-wide professional learning including:

- NQT CLPL programmes
- Central LA CLPL programmes
- Tailored professional learning e.g CLD, employability partners
- Keynotes and workshops at conferences or events

Collaborative projects

- Develop and test new approaches
- Advice and CLPL for primary clusters
- More in-depth and extended support for selected schools/clusters
- Support shared developments between schools, local authority and college – the learner journey approach

Engagement with parents and carers

- Share information with parent councils and work with other groups to support parents and carers to engage with SDS
- Improve access to SDS resources to equip parents and carers in their role as career influencers

For more information about the work of the Education team visit:
https://www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk/what-we-do/scotlands-careers-services/education-team/ or email education@sds.co.uk

The table below summarises our range of professional learning workshop themes and the variety of ways this can be delivered. The suggested timing for most workshops is 60 minutes, although this can be tailored to meet requirements.

Theme	Title & Description	Delivery formats
Career Education	**Introduction to career education:** This workshop introduces career education, sets it in context and explores the benefits that it brings to schools and learners. There are activities woven throughout to engage the audience in reflection and discussion.	Face-to-face Live online E-learning
	Introduction to career education and self-evaluation: Supports schools to reflect on their progress and identify next steps using a self-evaluation tool. It provides schools with a baseline for future benchmarking, aids familiarisation, helps identify and share effective practice and supports planning for improvement.	Face-to-face Live online
Skills	**Embedding skills:** Provides a focus on future employability skills, their importance to learners and how these can be integrated into everyday classroom practice in a pragmatic and sustainable way.	Face-to-face Live online E-learning
	Introduction to meta-skills: A more focused look at meta-skills and how the Skills 4.0 framework could inform a school's skills framework. There are activities woven throughout to engage the audience in reflection and discussion	Face-to-face Live online E-learning
LMI	**Labour Market Information (LMI):** Explores what LMI is, where to find it and how practitioners can manageably further integrate it into everyday classroom practice.	Face-to-face Live online E-learning
CMS	**Understanding Career Management Skills (CMS):** Introduces CMS, considers how CMS already features as part of day-to-day learning and teaching and looks at practical approaches to further develop young people's CMS as an integral part of the curriculum.	Face-to-face Live online E-learning
DYW	A series of online national events throughout the year covering the following topics: Introduction to SDS products and services, practitioner resources including Marketplace, Sectoral LMI and employer engagement.	Live online
My World of Work	(Coming January 2024): A series of online national events highlighting the functionality of the site and the resources that practitioners can use with learners.	Live online