

A Way of Life

Why You Should Never Stop Learning

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**This presentation
will focus on...**

YOUR responsibility to be a:

SAFE PRACTITIONER

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For being here.....

For all you do....

Thank you

But.....

We can and must do better
and...

IT STARTS WITH YOU

A conversation....


"I was in a case conference and it was decision making time. I did not agree with the previous few people, who all agreed with each other. I said what I thought, then everyone after me said the same as me."

Why was this a challenging discussion for me...

- ❖ The lottery at every level of the child protection system
- ❖ Lack of reflection and understanding of the power of 'group speak'
- ❖ Whose responsibility to ensure a highly qualified, knowledgeable and reflective workforce



Starting
with
yourself




Our youngest citizens deserve practitioners who...

- ❖ are attuned to and proactively address their care and learning needs;
- ❖ can critique and analyse information;
- ❖ recognise and value the importance of keeping up to date with research and
- ❖ apply their learning to their practice and that of others.

Provocations for you

- understand that personal and professional development is an ongoing process;
- critique and analyse theory and research;
- apply learning to practice;
- reflect in and on practice;
- use supervision effectively to enhance understanding and development;
- recognise when further training or higher level learning is required.

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What are you going to do about it?

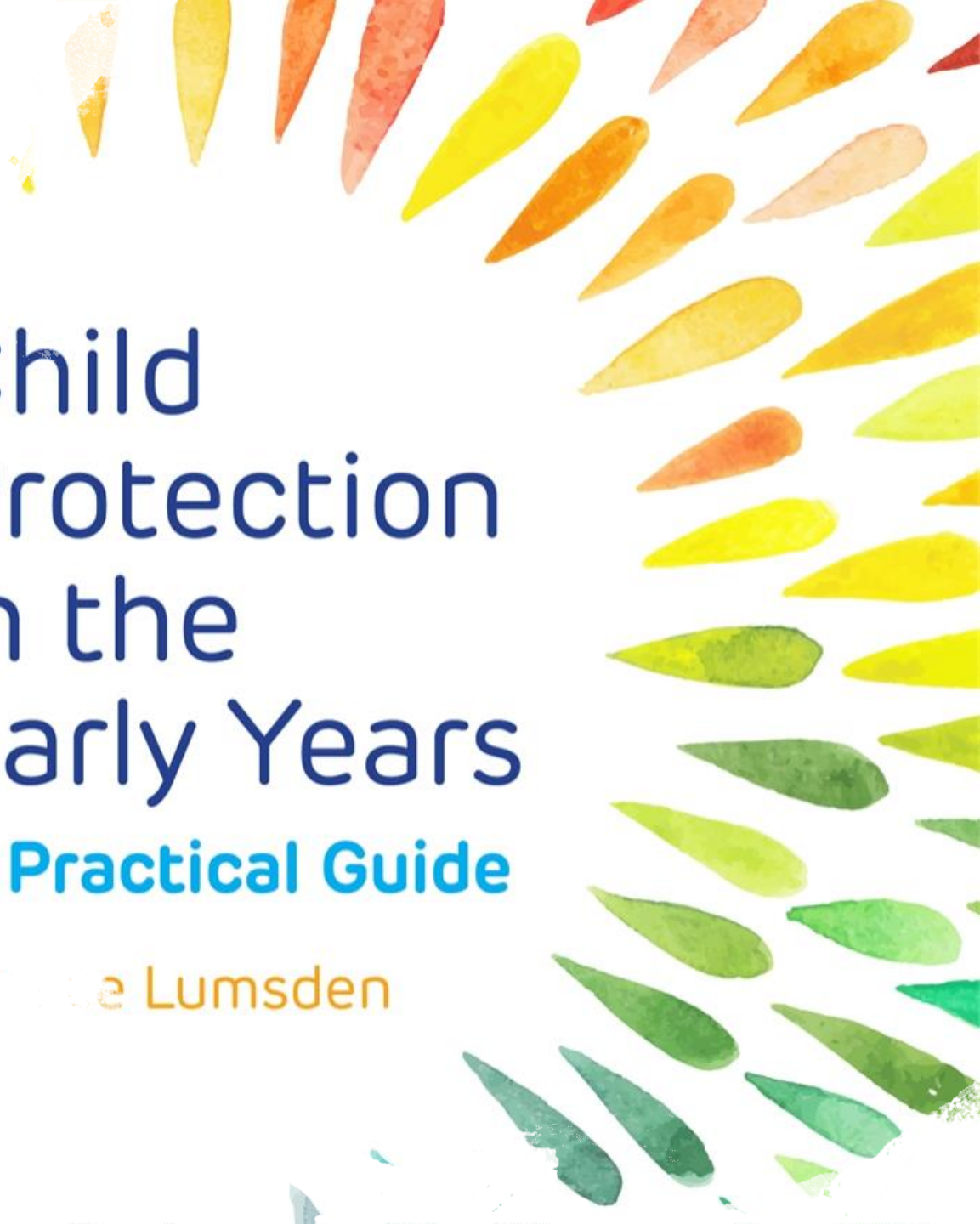
What's in your suitcase?



- ❖ Professional
- ❖ Personal
- ❖ Private

Reference

Lumsden, E. (2018) Child Protection in the Early Years: A Practical Guide. London: Jessica Kingsley Publications.

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Child Protection in the Early Years

A Practical Guide

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