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Dear Colleagues

**Promoting the Education of Children with a Social Worker**

Thank you to those who shared their experiences and expertise through the last questionnaire. The responses we received were insightful, with lots of positives identified regarding multi-agency working. However, alongside that ran a sense of concern that attendance, inclusion and learning could be more positively understood and promoted.

In order to identify common factors and barriers to attendance and inclusion of children on CIN and CP plans, we are also seeking feedback from social workers. These amalgamated responses will inform and shape the interventions and support offered, within which we will be as creative as our remit will allow! Our aim is to advocate for and support your work to achieve improved attendance and meaningful inclusion to this cohort of children, recognising that the impact of schools and schooling goes far beyond academic education.

Therefore, we would be grateful if you would share your views through the following updated link: <https://forms.office.com/r/P5B5c6Ti4z>

The questionnaire will be available until Friday 4th March. The responses received will inform and help to shape the support going forward, and as you are the experts in your field, your views are vital in being able to quickly and accurately identify key areas into which to target support and interventions.

Thank you in anticipation!

If you have any questions please contact either Diane or Beth via email at diane.mcsharry@cumbria.gov.uk or beth.taylor@cumbria.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

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