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Social Policy and Practice

Social Policy and Practice (SPP) is a comprehensive bibliographic database for those working or studying in the health and social care sectors - bringing together information from the UK's five leading collections of health and social care resources.

Social Policy and Practice helps professionals, practitioners, researchers and students interested in health and social care to identify articles and publications of relevance to the UK context. It is widely used by universities and NHS Trusts, as well as by charities and specialist research institutes.

Social Policy and Practice brings together data from the following 5 databases:

- AgeInfo - Centre for Policy on Ageing
- ChildData – National Children's Bureau (NCB)
- NSPCC - National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children
- Planex - IDOX Information Service
- Social Care Online - Social Care Institute for Excellence

Each of the 5 includes customized Abstracts and Indexing, based on their extensive experience in each speciality. This helps ensure that users can find the information they're looking for, and that they can easily assess the relevance of each item to their inquiry.

Some 50% of the references are to grey literature, including semi-published reports, working papers, local and central government reports, and material from the voluntary sector and charities. The database is oriented towards applied research and practice and as such complements the more theoretically based databases. Though most of the research material originates in the UK, there is strong presence of European and US material.

With data from the NSPCC- the leading children's charity fighting to end child abuse in the UK and Channel Island - as well as the NCP, this comprehensive database is particularly strong on evidence-based information in education, children's health and wellbeing, play, social and family policy, social care, crime and youth justice, and child protection and safeguarding.

Publisher	Centre for Policy on Ageing IDOX National Children's Bureau - ChildData NSPCC Social Care Institute for Excellence
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