



Scotland's Armed Forces Children's Charity

## SCiP Alliance Hub update to Practice Group 12/9/18

Hub name: Scotland

Lead institution: Royal Caledonian Education Trust

- Effective practice
- Challenges
- Ideas
- Priorities
- Questions

## Hub activity summary:

- The Scotland Hub has decided to meet face to face twice a year with business being conducted at other times via e mail. The next meeting will be on 26<sup>th</sup> November to prioritise the Action Points from the inaugural meeting. Some establishments have already started to investigate adding a flag to identify new students from Service families and how best to identify and track those already studying.
- One University has expressed interest in hosting a Creative Forces event.
- The hub lead, Moira Leslie RCET Education Manager, gave a keynote presentation at the Scottish Fair Access Conference where there was a great deal of interest in the SCiP Alliance work. As a result, they have been approached by The Open University to see how they can best work together to support Service students who may need some additional support to gain the grades which they need. Another University approached asking for advice on how best to identify potential students from Service families who may not have the qualifications they require. At the moment access to their Summer School does not include being a Service child as a qualifying criteria and they are keen to rectify this.
- RCET continues to work with careers advisers from Skills Development Scotland raising awareness of the issues around Service students and looking at how best to support students write their personal statements.
- RCET is also working the University of Highlands and Islands to investigate how RCET resources can complement their Resilience Module for their distance learning pre service teacher training.