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Counsellors Together UK

WORKING TOGETHER TO END THE CULTURE AND PREVALANCE OF UNPAID WORK WITHIN OUR
PROFESSION



Newsletter!

MP Letters

A big thank you to all members of CTUK who have sent letters to their local MPs and arranged meetings to discuss counsellor exploitation. If you would like to support us by sending your local MP a letter, then please do visit the link below and it will take you to a page where you can copy and paste the letter and use a template to email your MP. Thank you. www.ukcounsellors.co.uk/letter-for-your-local-mp/

Donations

Last month we introduced a 'Donate Now' button to our website. So far we have received a few donations from people who wish to remain anonymous. We would just like to say thank you, your support means a lot.

You can make a donation over on our website homepage here www.ukcounsellors.co.uk. Thank you.

Online store - now open!

Thank you to those of you who have ordered items from our online store, The cups are especially popular, and really help to rise our profile.



You can buy yours here: www.ukcounsellors.co.uk/shop/



Campaign -

Our online campaign, 'Make counselling mandatory in all UK schools' is proving very popular with almost 10,000 signatures. However, we still need many more people to sign and show their support. Please do sign and share with all your friends, family and colleagues.

You can view the campaign, sign and share the campaign here: https://www.change.org/p/uk-parliament-make-it-mandatory-for-every-uk-school-to-provide-counselling-for-children-and-young-people

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BACP Resolution

BACP members, as you will now be aware the resolution we were supporting entitled, 'Accreditation' did not gain 5% of overall member votes to enable it to move to the next stage of the voting process. However, with over 1400 votes we did secure over 90% of all individual votes cast, that is amazing! We are currently challenging BACPs change to the voting process. We believe that BACP made changes to the Standing Orders section of their governance documents which allowed them to change the voting process. However, they done so without consulting with members which, in the spirit of democracy, they should not have been able to do so. We will keep you all informed with any progress we make. In the meantime we would like to say a huge thank you to Tara and Siobhain for submitting the resolution and all the hard work they put in to secure the votes received.



National Counselling Day!

We at CTUK want to increase the profile of all UK counsellors by starting a National Counselling Day. The plan is to run a conference on this day around our main aim, 'to end the culture and prevalence of unpaid work within our profession,' as well as an evening awards ceremony and after party, to celebrate the work we all do on a daily basis. So often, National days, and all the days in-between are all about supporting the public and the people we work with. We at CTUK feel that counsellors deserve recognition for what they do too, so watch this space for more details about when exactly this exciting day will happen. We want to celebrate YOU!

Introducing CTUK websites

To help us to raise some of the vital funds we need to keep our campaign work going and to help our members to grow their online presence, we have decided to launch CTUK websites. Any group member can have their website built and hosted for one year for just £85, and then £3 per month after that. We are currently producing the first 15 websites and will update you all once the list opens up again and we can take on more commissions. We will have a showcase to share with you soon, exciting!

Join us?

Facebook Group (UK therapists only): www.facebook.com/groups/234004167107915

Facebook Page (everyone welcome): www.facebook.com/UKCounsellors/

Twitter (everyone welcome):@UK_Counsellors

LinkedIn Group: Search for Counsellors Together UK

Website Forum: www.ukcounsellors.co.uk/forum/

We look forward to hearing from you and please do remember to like and share our work across

social media ©

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