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ESW Open Seminar Series

Monday 25 February, 5-6.30pm
Room G31, Jubilee Building, University of Sussex

**Saul Becker, Professor of Social Work & Social Policy /
University of Sussex Provost & Feylyn Lewis, Research Fellow**

Children Who Care: Young carers research policy and practice

This seminar will review the 30 year history of research, policy, and practice developments for children with unpaid family caring roles. 'Young carers' are defined as young people under the age of 18 who provide care, support, and assistance for another family member or friend with a health-related condition, disability, or addiction.

In their seminar, Saul and Feylyn will critically examine why these children take on significant responsibilities that would normally be associated with adults, reflecting on family practices and cultural and societal factors. The impact of substantial care provision during childhood onto psychosocial development, educational experiences, and the transition into adulthood will also be considered. Finally, they will share initial findings from the first phase of their research study on the mental health wellbeing of European adolescent young carers.

All welcome

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