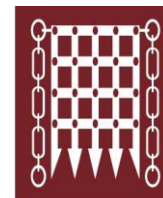


Westminster Higher Education Forum policy conference
Next steps for student mental health in Higher Education

Timing: Morning, Wednesday, 12th October 2022

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Matt Western MP, Shadow Minister (Education)
- 9.05 **Understanding student mental health after the pandemic**
Dr Dominique Thompson, Founder, Buzz Consulting
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.25 **Evidence, best practice and latest thinking on strategies for supporting mental health in universities**
Dr Omar Khan, Director, Centre for Transforming Access and Students Outcomes in Higher Education (TASO)
- 9.35 **Creating whole-university strategies and coordinating support - funding priorities, building capacity, growing multi-agency and regional partnerships, improving awareness, and making good mental health a part of student life**
Dine Romero, Cabinet Member for Children, Young People, & Communities, Bath & North East Somerset Council
Nicola Turner, Senior Fair Access Adviser, UCAS
Ian Munton, Head of Student Support and Careers Service, Aberystwyth University
Dr Emma Broglio, Research Associate and Policy Coordinator, Department of Psychology, University of Sheffield
Senior representative, students
- 10.00 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.25 **Chair's closing remarks**
Matt Western MP, Shadow Minister (Education)
- 10.30 Break
- 10.40 **Chair's opening remarks**
Lord Lucas
- 10.45 **Pre-university experiences and preparing students for the university transition**
Michael Baber, Director, Health Action Campaign
- 10.55 **Addressing mental health challenges facing specific student groups**
Helen Moulinos, Chief Executive, POHWER
Jem McKenzie, Inclusion & Communities Officer, Reading University Student Union
Rita Hirani, Chief Executive, MindOut
Senior commentator
- 11.15 Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.40 **Teaching, learning, and assessment - factoring academic rigour and support for student mental health into pedagogy, remote learning, assessment and deadlines**
Dr Mark Hoelterhoff, Lecturer in Clinical Psychology, University of Edinburgh
Neve Atkinson, Access, Education and Participation Officer, Cambridge SU
Senior representative, technology
Senior commentator
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 Break
- 12.30 **Priorities and next steps for supporting student mental health**
John de Pury, Assistant Director of Policy, Universities UK
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Higher Education Forum closing remarks**
Lord Lucas
Patrick Owen, Senior Researcher, Westminster Higher Education Forum