

Care Leavers' Journey to Higher Education

This exciting collaborative project between Bournemouth University and Poole, Bournemouth and Dorset Local Authorities aims to help understand how best to reach out to young people in care considering college or university at the right time and through the most appropriate media. The purpose of this project is to challenge perceptions and raise aspirations of young people in and leaving care and their support network.

Through talking to young people in care, their carers and the professionals working with them we will develop an understanding of their needs and requirements and use this understanding to develop resources that can be used across the region to support young people in care and care leavers in making decisions about their future.

The resources developed are intended to advise, inspire, support and inform young people who may face challenges in progressing in education. The target audience is children and young people who are in or leaving care or have been in care during their childhoods.

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