

## Playwork Practice Workshop

Presented by Play Wales

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**Date:** Monday, September 11, 2017

**Workshop Duration:** 7 Hours

**Starts:** 9:30 AM

**Ends:** 4:30 PM

**Minimum Group Size:** 25

**Maximum Group Size:** 30

**Price per participant:** \$115 + 5% GST

**Includes:** Lunch and Transportation from conference hotels

**Location:**

Vivo for Healthier Generations

11950 Country Village Link NE

Calgary, AB

Play Wales is an international leader in policy, support and advocacy for play. The organization provides playwork training based on Playwork Principles, recognizing that children and young people's capacity for positive development will be enhanced if given access to the broadest range of environments and play opportunities. Click [here](#) for more information on playwork principles.

This workshop is a 'taster' workshop for the Level 2 Award in Playwork Practice (L2APP) which has been developed by Play Wales and their partners to better support the understanding of a playwork approach to working with children. The aim of this workshop is for participants to gain a basic understanding of playwork theory. It will be suitable for practitioners working with children aged 5-14, educators of those teaching courses relating to work with children aged 5-14, and anyone wishing to understand more about playwork. The workshop uses teaching and learning materials developed by experts in playwork and is designed to provide a good foundation for those new to playwork.

The delivery of the workshop will be playful, interactive and rely on discussion and participation from participants. Topics include:

- What is play
- The importance of play
- Playwork theory
- Risk management

### Speaker Biographies

Martin King-Sheards is the Workforce Development Officer for Play Wales. He has been working in playwork for 15 years and prior to a career in playwork was a circus practitioner and tutor. Martin is an experienced trainer and led on the development of L2APP working with the Welsh Government and other key agencies in Wales.

Marianne Mannello is the Assistant Director (Policy, Support and Advocacy) with play Wales. She has over 25 years' experience in many aspects of play and playwork, including play strategy consultation and development.