



2021 – 2024 NCER Steering Group Elections

- ▶ There are **6 vacancies on the NCER Steering Group** for the period April 2021 to March 2024. If you are keen to be involved in shaping the future development of Nexus, you can nominate your LA for a position on the Steering Group. **All member LAs can apply.** Please go to the NCER drop down menu in Nexus (top right) and select NCER > **Management and Governance** to download the **2021 NCER Steering Group Nomination Form** and the **2021 Steering Group Election Arrangements** document, which outlines a summary of the Steering Group role.
- ▶ Please submit your completed Steering Group nomination forms to prncr3@gmail.com **before 12th March 2021.** If you have any queries regarding being a member of the NCER Steering group, please contact Peter Richmond on the email above.

2021 - 2024 NCER Technical Support Director

- ▶ We warmly welcomed Paul Caladine, from Calderdale LA into the **NCER Technical Support Director** role in October 2020. Paul has many years of experience working in a local authority using Nexus for data analysis and school improvement functions. Paul will be increasing NCER's capacity for supporting LAs and providing training documentation and webinars.

NCER Finances

- ▶ We are pleased to advise that the 2021/22 NCER membership fees remain at the same level as for 2020/21.
- ▶ LAs have received details of their 2021/22 charges. NCER requests that you submit your purchase order (PO) to Halton Borough Council (HBC) to

2021 NCER Annual Members' Meeting

The **2021 NCER Annual Members' Meeting** will be held online this year via Zoom on Thursday 13th May 2021.

We will be outlining new NCER Nexus developments for NCER Nova, NCER Insight and Perspective Lite. As well as showing new developments for NCER CLA (Looked after Children) and CIN (Children in Need) Analysis inside Nexus. At the end of the meeting there will be the opportunity to attend one or two of our breakout sessions.

For further information about the event please view the [agenda](#) and click on this link to [book your space!](#) Places are not limited this year.



debtors@halton.gov.uk by 20th April 2021 at the very latest and that NCER invoices are paid within the required 28 days. This ensures that NCER maintains its cash reserves and cash flow during the early part of the 2021/22 financial year. Ideally can you also copy your authority's PO to prncr3@gmail.com

More information about these developments will be shown at the 2021 NCER Annual Member's Meeting and future NCER bulletins.

NCER Nexus Update

- ▶ Nexus is again enabled to support LAs and schools in 2021 with importing and reporting on primary and secondary assessments, ensuing LAs can continue to provide traded services and service level agreements with their schools.
- ▶ We have recently released a series of bulletins outlining support available for LAs when planning these optional 2021 data collections for **primary assessments**, **KS4 Results**, **CLA primary assessments & KS4 Results** bulletin coming soon.
- ▶ There are a series of **webinars** planned to further support your LA. See below for booking links to book your place!
 - **2021 Primary assessments** - 11 March
 - **2021 KS4 results** – 11 March
 - **2021 CLA primary & KS4 assessments** – link will be available soon
- ▶ NCER have also prioritised developments that are not dependent on end of key stage data for 2021/22 including; **NEW School and LA context analysis** in NCER Insight providing detailed contextual overviews of year groups at school and LA level and **NEW Absence and Exclusions detailed analysis** in NCER Insight which are detailed termly views of absence and exclusions with the ability to drill down.

NCER Looked After Children (CLA) Analysis Update

- ▶ NCER's **NEW CLA Cohort Analysis** in NCER Insight allows in depth analysis of the context of your CLA cohort.
- ▶ It is also possible to **update your Current CLA cohort throughout the year** and apply to NCER Nova and NCER Insight analysis. Providing year-round analysis options for CLA management reporting.

NCER Children in Need (CIN) Analysis Update

- ▶ NCER's **NEW CIN Cohort Analysis** is due to be released in April allowing LAs to analyse their CIN context in depth.
- ▶ Don't forget you can load in your **2020 CIN census data** into Nexus to be ready for this new report release.

2021 Strategic Use of Data Conference – Social Care Data

- ▶ NCER & NPIMG in partnership with the LGA ran an online conference on 4th February 2021 and are pleased to report it was a successful event with over 300 delegates in attendance, including DfE and Ofsted officers.
- ▶ NCER demonstrated CLA & CIN Analysis and are planning to have **the conference presentations** up in NCER Nexus soon.