

MINUTES OF THE NORTHERN OUTCOMES GROUP MEETING AND HELD ON 13th JUNE 2013 IN THE BOARDROOM

Present:

Helen Dunn	(CHAIR) Action for Children
Una Geelan	CYPSP
Deirdre Coyle	HSCB
Maria Heron	Parenting NI
David Gilliland	Carrickfergus YMCA
Collette Slevin	MENCAP
H Johnston	PHA
Judith Lees	Lead Nurse PHN
Jayne Millar	NEELB
Selena Ramsey	CYPSP Locality Dev't Officer

Apologies:

Marie Roulston	(Chair) NTSCT
Anne Hardy	CYPSP
Jenny Adair	Northern Childcare Partnership
Ciara McKillop	NHSCT
Susan Gault	NHSCT
Paul Carr	DSD
G Keane	Youth Justice Agency
Angela Devlin	Extern
Kyle Gordon	PSNI
Nichol McCall	BBCouncil
Sandra Anderson	CYPSP Participation Officer

Ms Jayne Millar was welcomed onto the Northern Outcomes group in place of Mr R Gilbert, NEELB and introduction made, apologies noted.

Date of last meeting

Workshop held on the 17.4.13, minutes agreed and signed off

Membership of group

Review of membership of all outcome groups to be undertaken. Membership from the Voluntary/Community sector is on a 3 year basis and phased replacement process to be progress in September and will allow group to address gaps in membership. Voluntary/Community sector organisations to apply to sit on the group.

Financial update

- Priority for funding – services for children and young people/ADHD agreed.
- Funding to appoint Family support Hub coordinator process has been delayed

Una Geelan provide detailed breakdown on how financial allocation made last year to various group had been utilised. (see attached) . It was agreed that the finalised document detailing this information would be shared with the group. It was also agreed that it would be useful to have a breakdown of the number of children/families who have benefited from this funding.

ACTION Una Geelan

Hidden Harm – co-chair of NDCAT

John Fenton to provide confirmation.

Feedback from Regional outcome chairs meeting.

Last quarterly meeting held on the 12.4.13.

Matters discussed

Communication

Strong focus on external communication to build awareness of CYPSP process. Importance of emphasising externally that the CYPSP process is built on outcomes based planning. To be progressed by CYPSP Communication subgroup

Working with Outcomes

Additional support required to Outcomes Groups on working with service and population outcomes. To be progress by CSP Team

Review of number of CYPSP subgroups

There will be a review of all subgroups. Starting point will be restatement of purpose of subgroups. Process to be considered for groups linking to CYPSP (when a link is needed) without them being full CYPSP subgroups. Some subgroups may be designated as 'Task and Finish'

groups as opposed to standing groups. To be actioned by CSP team/Subgroup chairs

Dual Membership

Issue to be address re membership of subgroup and outcomes group – issue mainly within the WHSCT area.

Coordinating role of outcomes groups

Outcomes groups to develop their role as coordinating body for agency investment plans. To be progressed by Outcomes groups Chairs

CYPSP Planning cycle

It was agreed that this should run in tandem with financial cycle, planning cycle document to be reviewed and amended to bring in line with the with other strategies available and enhance the opportunity for linkage.

It was agreed that each Outcomes group would provide an update of 4/5 major issues within their area to be highlighted to the Regional group. Consideration to be given at the end of today`s meeting as to main points to be reflected.

Update from locality planning groups and children and young people`s participation.

Selena Ramsey provided update detailing on-going work with the locality planning groups (see detailed paper attached, previously circulated at meeting).

Helen Dunn noted upcoming meeting with H McCarroll, ASD Co-ordinator within the NHSCT and D Bradley re how children with ASD in mainstream education can access services.

Parents Reference Group

Next meeting of the group scheduled for the 27th June 2013 in Antrim Homestart, crèche facilitates available on site which the group can utilise.

Ms Herron noted that the CYPSP framework encourages the participation of parents, children and young people in this process. Parenting NI were commissioned to facilitate the involvement of parents. The Northern Parents Reference group was established and is directly linked to this Outcome group. The role of the parents in this process is strategic, to give experience feedback of being a parent and bringing up a children in the Northern Trust area. The group is to provide feedback on tasks identified by the group. The Parenting Reference Group are committed to meeting 3 times a year. At first meeting the group discussed the key issues raised by the Northern Outcomes group and encouraged parent to discuss from their perspective. Second meeting focused on consultation on the draft action plan, feedback from this consultation has been incorporated into the action plan -Ms Herron noted the motivational aspect for parents of this inclusion. Third meeting focused on 2 specific issues, the HV project (for new parents) and extended school issue. Ms Herron noted that feedback with respect to the HV project noted that as a home-based project, parents could feel isolated and parents would appreciate linking with other parents in a similar situation Recruitment to the group remains on-going and currently there are 14 parents involved with 5 potential new members identified. Ms Herron to provide feedback with regards to extended school issue with Jayne Millar NEELB.

Hubs

Mrs Dunn noted that the Hubs were made up of a network of organisation available within the Northern area to address local need. Currently all referrals coming through NHSCT Gateway service, if a referral does not meet the criteria for Social Service intervention, with parental permission the referral will be passed over for allocation through the HUB. Currently awaiting funding for Family Support Hub co-ordinator (SW qualified) who will undertake the initial assessment directly from the HV, Mental Health Services, Education, it is hoped this system will be available in the near future. Causeway Hub is up and running with 12 member/associated members from a range of organisation, referrals to this hub coming through the Northern Gateway team . Larne/Carrick Hub, snapshot taken of referrals received on a 6 monthly bases, this will allow for self-evaluation and review the operation of this system. Ballymena Hub – referrals coming in through Central Gateway team. Magherafelt/Cookstown hub – 8 core members from a range of organisation – lack of Family support provision in this geographical area has been highlighted. Mrs Dunn noted that there

would be Education welfare representatives on each of the hubs. Child nurse managers currently sit on the Larne/Carrick and Magherafelt/Cookstown hubs and it would be beneficial to role this out to all the other hubs. The issues re information sharing was highlighted, concerns raised by Surestart re sharing of historic information (if a case is no longer open to them). Following discussion it was agreed that Regional guidance was required on this issues to ensure clear communication across voluntary/community sectors and Trusts/Boards. Matter to be escalated at the regional chair group. Processes already in place within individual organisation to ensure security/data protection.

Review of Action plan

Action plan included the priorities which need to be taken forward to improve the six high level outcomes for children and young people in the Northern Trust area. Review of the plan to be undertaken annually. Points to be incorporated into the plan by Una Geelan.

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Support develop and maintain locality planning groups across the area to carry out outcome based planning. UPDATE work on-going.

Support development and maintain FS hubs across the area. UPDATE 4 hubs developed, further hub to be established. Overview to be undertake to ensure consistency of processes across the hubs. Contact to be made with the Family Support TYC work stream within the NSHCT for update.

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Improve emotional well-being and mental health of children and young people

Action description above to be reviewed to subsume substance misuse

Universal parenting progress, update re start babies' project to be provided by Susan Gault, Judith Lees to take forward. M Heron to link in with Judith Lees in relation to this project.

Hospice funding to be added.

Regional move to stepped care model as opposed to tiers to be noted.

It was agreed that P White would be invited to present at a future meeting re substance misuse. Update to be forwarded by Women`s aid rep. on subgroups to be included in the revised action plan.

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Promote good infant mental health

Update to be provided by Ciara McKillop re linkages to the Family support strategy. Linkage with Hidden harm group to be determined and noted as appropriate.

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Strengthen the capacity of children and young people and their parents and schools to improve attendance and attainment and to raise their aspirations and goals and their capacity to access the benefits from attending school

Definitions required re contribute to a regional task group.

Jayne Millar to provide breakdown of baseline figures 2011/12 re attendance/attainment – may potentially identify `hotspot` areas. Work of the youth services and education welfare with schools to be provided by J Millar to be included in the update.

Una Geelan to source research from Queens school of education re deprivation and attendance/attainment. Una to link in with K Bell re updated from the school counselling services for update.

Jayne noted the vulnerable pupils register re transition from Primary to post primary education, this is available for all school. Through work in conjunction with Education psychology services Primary education staff (with parental permission) can identify those young people in Primary 7 would could potential experience difficulties adjusting to their new educational environment, areas include bereavement; gender identity issues; social issues. Maria Heron noted feedback from the parenting group re transition for primary to post primary education - variation in transition programme from school to school highlighted. It was agreed

that it would be useful to review feedback from the parenting group and NEELB consultation with parents.

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Extend access to services provided by the MASTS team in primary school and preschool settings

Pilot exercise in early years settings and NHSCT MAST teams to be evaluated by the Department. Regional overview on-going – potential of moving to universal service regional model is welcomed.

Una Geelan to update action plan and share prior to the next meeting

AOB

Mr J Gault Principle of Bushmills primary school and chair of the Bushmills Locality planning group since 2000 is to step. It was agreed that his contribution would be acknowledged. A Hardy to take forward with Mr J Gault. **ACTION A Hardy**

NICEM event - Event scheduled for the 19th June from 6 -8 pm, information to be shared with Locality groups and any questions to be raised by be submitted prior to the event.

Feedback from recent workshop re-evaluation framework Family support should be forthcoming – to be shared once available

2 stakeholder events to be progressing probably mid-Autumn to address:

- Role of local groups
- Role of partnership
- Role of young people

This will be a good opportunity for feedback from parents re highlighting what the issue are and inform them of work currently being progressed. and . The day will be broken down into 2 sessions - ½ day for members

of local groups and ½ for the general public. Further information to be provided once available.

Agreed 4 key issues from the Outcomes group to be highlighted to the Regional group.

- Information sharing guidance
- Sharing of historical information
- Unmet need (M`felt family support services)
- Unmet need across all services

Date of next meeting

14.8.13 at 2pm in Conference room 2, County Hall

Helen Dunn

Acting Chair on behalf of Mrs Marie Roulston

