



Children & Young People's Strategic Partnership

**CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP (CYPSP)  
MINUTES OF EMOTIONAL AND BEHAVIOURAL DIFFICULTIES SUB-GROUP  
TUESDAY 22 JANUARY 2013  
COMMITTEE ROOM, SOUTH TYRONE HOSPITAL, DUNGANNON**

**PRESENT:**

Peadar White, CAMHS Head of Service, SHSCT (Chair)  
Maurice Leeson, Children's Services Planning, HSCB  
Andrew Hawthorne, CSP Support Officer  
Stephen Bergin, PHA  
Monica McCann, Barnardos

**APOLOGIES:**

Bernie Tierney, Action for Children  
Norma Patterson, Independent Rep  
Pauline Curran, SELB Advisor  
Gemma Donnelly, Extern  
Catriona Rooney, HSCB  
Eithne Gilligan, VOYPIC  
Denise O'Hagan, PHA  
Mary Donaghy, Social Care Commissioning Lead, HSCB

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

Anna Clarke, Participation Network  
Majella Connolly, Infant Mental Health Practitioner, i-CAMHS

**MEMBERSHIP OF FORUM**

It was acknowledged that Norma has left her main post with Contact NI, however, she will remain part of the group. Eithne has tendered a letter of resignation, which reads that VOYPIC are resigning from the process and Maurice agreed to respond to the letter.

- ***Action – Maurice to respond to VOYPIC's letter of resignation.***

A gap with regards to LAC representation was noted and an expression of interest will be circulated around agencies.

- ***Action – Maurice to circulate an expression of interest to secure LAC representation on the forum.***

Peadar noted that attendance has been in decline recently and he agreed to write to all members to reaffirm their commitment. He added that it would be beneficial if

members discussed at our next meeting nominated with delegated authority / responsibility to attend in their absence.

- ***Action – Peadar to write to all forum members re attendance.***

### **i-CAMHS PRESENTATION**

Peadar advised that regionally there has been much discussion and debate regarding the development of Infant Mental Health (IMH) and PHA have developed a strategy re training and awareness raising, which was tabled at the November meeting. He noted that the Southern Trust decided to develop a dedicated IMH service, with the rationale of the earliest intervention possible. As the regional development of IMH was flagged as a priority for this sub-group it was felt useful that Majella attend a meeting in order to give a presentation on her work to date.

Majella provided a presentation – copies to be circulated to those not in attendance.

Peadar acknowledged that at present there is only one part-time Band 6 Practitioner in post, however, he was confident that the innovative work being undertaken it should provide impetus to others to secure regional resource to expand the service. Maurice noted the development of an Early Intervention fund has been mentioned at meetings as a priority area, given that this was a consistent theme within the Action Plans, however, there has been no firm agreement of how this could be utilised to date.

### **PARTICIPATION NETWORK**

Anna thanked the Chair for agreeing to her attendance at the full meeting today. She explained that they have been commissioned to support the CYPSP Sub-groups around engaging young people and ascertaining their views on the process. This can be achieved in a variety of ways such as drafting a young person friendly version of the Action Plan, arranging focus groups, producing helpful materials, etc.

Peadar noted that the breadth and diversity of young people/service users' needs looked at to ensure inclusivity. He asked whether groups already in existence or whether new group should be convened to act as a Reference Group and also have a representative to sit on the forum. It was agreed that work with existing groups would be most beneficial and the Participation Network could provide supporting materials in a young person friendly format, beginning with the Action Plan, to these existing groups for comment.

- ***Action – Anna to reformat the Action Plan in the first instance, target existing groups for comment and provide supporting materials when necessary.***

### **ACTION PLAN**

The Action Plan was finalised at the meeting in December 2012 and has been circulated.

## **WORKSTREAM UPDATE;**

Work-stream leads were identified at the November meeting and agreements were made to take forward Action Plan implementation on three key themes.

- IMH – Bernie and Catriona.
- Full Service Schools – Pauline and Monica
- Tier 2 Development – Peadar, Norma and Gemma.

Peadar noted that a written update on the progress of work to date will be expected at the next meeting.

- ***Action – Work groups to provide a written update on progress to date at the next meeting.***

## **REGIONAL UPDATE**

Maurice was welcomed to the meeting as Ann's replacement. He noted that a number of issues have been raised with regard to how the process connects together, however, he had no immediate answers and acknowledged that this needs attended to urgently either via the Chairs meeting or via a workshop.

## **STAKEHOLDER EVENT**

Maurice advised that the Outcome Group will take the lead on this issue.

### **Dates of Next Meeting**

Thursday 21 February 2013 @ 10.00 am in Committee Room, STH

Tuesday 19 March 2013 @ 10.00 am in Committee Room, STH

Thursday 18 April 2013 @ 10.00 am in Committee Room, STH

Thursday 16 May 2013 @ 10.00 am in Committee Room, STH

Wednesday 12 June 2013 @ 10.00 am in Committee Room, STH