

Each planning group looks at information about children and young people – from statistics and qualitative information from across agencies, from children and young people and their parents, and they work out what needs to change.

This process is called **Outcomes Based Planning**-putting children and young people's lives at the very centre of all the work.

Where are they located?

The CYPSP partners work right across Northern Ireland. They meet three times a year to discuss and/or agree the progress of joint planning and provisions within the CYPSP.

The CYPSP is supported by the Health and Social Care Board (HSCB), The Chief Executive of the HSCB, John Compton is based in Belfast. The HSCB offices are located in Armagh, Ballymena, Belfast and Derry/Londonderry.



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AN INTRODUCTION TO THE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP

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What is the Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership?

The CYPSP is a Northern Ireland wide partnership, which is providing, for the first time, a way for all agencies and all sectors to come together to improve outcomes for all children and young people.

Its purpose is to put into place integrated planning and commissioning across agencies and sectors aimed at improving wellbeing and the realisation of rights of children in Northern Ireland, in relation to these six outcomes:

1. Healthy
2. Living in safety and stability
3. Enjoying, learning and achieving
4. Economic and environmental well-being
5. Contributing positively to community and society
6. Living in a society which respects their rights

Who is involved?

Chief Executives represent statutory agencies on the partnership and an open call ensured senior representation from organisations in the community sector and voluntary sector. Each member has a responsibility for improving the lives of children and young people in Northern Ireland. For current membership please go to the About Us section on the CYPSP website at www.cypsp.org.

What do we do?

The CYPSP works at four different levels, each of which involve partnership working between statutory agencies, community and voluntary organisations, children and young people, and parents.

The **CYPSP** sets the strategic direction for the planning and provision of jointly agreed services, which improve children's outcomes. It mandates staff across all agencies to join up services better, and bring their funding together to do so.

A number of **Regional Sub Groups** work to improve the outcomes of specific groups of children and young people across Northern Ireland, who are at particular disadvantage.

Five Outcomes Groups work in the same geographical areas as the Health and Social Care Trusts. They are carrying out integrated planning – across agencies, and aim to bring funding together to improve outcomes for children and young people in their geographic region.

Locality Planning Groups are partnerships between children and young people, families, communities and representatives of agencies at a local level. They plan services in a very local area that makes sense to the children and young people.

Family Support Hubs work directly with children, young people and their families to make sure that they have easy access to preventative and early intervention services to meet identified need at the earliest possible stage.

How do they do it?

The CYPSP makes decisions, in order to make it possible for the work carried out in its planning groups to be effective.

We have decided that early intervention is the best way to improve the outcomes for children and young people – and we have agreed a joint understanding of early intervention. The CYPSP is making sure that each planning group focuses on early intervention.

We are also committed to integrated commissioning. This is more than one agency takes responsibility for making a service available.

