

**MINUTES OF THE NORTHERN OUTCOMES GROUP
HELD ON 10th DECEMBER 2014 IN THE BOARDROOM, TRUST HQ,
BRETTON HALL, ANTRIM**

Present: - Marie Roulston	NHSCT
Susan Gault	NHSCT
Laura Rankin	CYPSP
Moira Walsh	LG B`mena
Laura Totten	YJA
Teresa Hazzard	Mencap
Gerard Stuart	Extern
Brenda McAteer	Moyle LPG Chair
Hilary Johnston	PHA
Nicola McCall	B`mena Borough Council
Selena Ramsey	Locality Dev. Officer
Anne Hardy	CYPSP
Helen Dunn	HSCB, CYPSP
Jayne Millar	NEELB
Grainne Keane	Youth Justice Agency
Jenny Adair	NCP

Apologies: - David Gilliland	Carrick YMCA
John Fenton	NHSCT
Una Lernihan	HSCB
Sandra Anderson	CYPSP
Billy McMillan	Barnardos
Una Casey	CYPSP

- Presentation given by Susan Gault re Star Babies (see attached) – enhanced Home visiting service to first time parents within the NHSCT. 748 first time parents have availed of the service over the 3 pilot sites within year 1. Positive evaluation received from parents and staff, keen to look at external research to underpin evaluation of the service. Susan noted concern that under EITP workstream 1 the Star babies project has not been proposed as a

possible model to take forward, keen to progress project as both staff and parents have highlighted the benefits for all involved. Trust keen to roll out the project to other teams within the Trust area. No formal notification received as yet in terms of model to be taken forward under workstream 1. Hilary Johnston, PHA agreed to raise this matter at the next regional meeting.

- Presentation given by Anne Hardy re Family Support funding, overview of services transferring to Northern Outcomes group/NHSCT. Administration and procurement arrangements with regards to current and any future partnership applications have been transferred from the HSCB to the NHSCT, oversight role for the Northern Outcomes group. Details provided on attached presentation.

1. Previous Minutes and matters arising

The previous meeting was held on the 15th October. Hilary Johnston requested amendment in minutes under EITP update(point 6) as she felt that it was reflecting an issue with the finance with regards to workstream 2. It was agreed that the minutes would be amended.

2. Induction of new Members

On-going work regarding the development of an induction pack to be rolled out to all new members and existing members.

3. Action planning

Subgroup meeting to be convened by Anne Hardy to address/populate the action plan template. The 4 high level overarching outcomes have been detailed in the plan and a number of actions identified. Finalised action plan to be signed off at February meeting. Anne Hardy to link in with Susan Gault re outcome 1, Teresa Hazard re outcome 2 or 4, Heather McCarroll re ASD Brenda McConville/Kate Kelly re disability, Jayne Millar re Education.

4. EITP

Hilary confirmed that at recent meeting it was agreed that under workstream 2 arrangements with regards to a phased pilot of the Trusts` model would commence, with pilots to be established in each Trust area by July 2015. Direct referrals to be managed through hubs and overview of pilot to be progressed at 6 month period. Amanda has requested for reps to sit on a number of groups re:

1. To detail anticipated outcomes/evidence based measures
2. To develop assurance framework and tool to be used

It was also agreed at recent meeting that pilot will be progress on one site per Trust (confirmation will be forwarded to the Trusts in writing). NHSCT has submitted proposal focusing on Newtownabbey and Coleraine area, dilemma for NHSCT will be opting for one area above the other as need would be evident in both areas based on the high level of referrals, issues around unallocated cases, complex cases. Emphasis on pilot will be around transformation and sustainability. Marie to discuss with Maurice Leeson the potential of progressing both pilot sites in NHSCT area.

Workstream 2

4 proposed models currently `on the table` for consideration. No consistent approach across trusts. It is anticipated that there will be no formal proposal until next year.

Workstream 3

`Edges of Care` - currently out for tender. Home on time (concurrent placements) – funding allocated to Trusts and recruitment process on-going

5. Locality Planning and Participation Update (see attached paper)

Sandra Anderson shared overview report to update forum of work on-going within the locality groups. In previous report Emerging needs template had been detailed, key needs identified by the locality groups in

the Northern Trust Area. Additional areas of unmet need identified by groups:

- 11-16 year olds – currently Choices family support programme only programme available, however challenges around waiting list.
- Mental Health – access to services
- ASD/ADHD – online protection
- School Attendance/Attainment

Detailed report attached, highlighting work undertaken and forthcoming events.

Locality group members have submitted applications for funds (under 2014/15 slippage) to address the needs identified within the Locality planning Group action plan. Assessment panel have met and approved 20 of the 40 applications, 4 have been asked to provide additional details.

Mrs Roulston noted the lack of chair for the Larne Locality planning group, keen to see this position filled as early as possible.

6. Family Support Hubs Update

Update provided by Helen Dunn – Regionally 24 hubs across NI, newly established hub in Derry and 5 in the Belfast area. Helen confirmed that the issue re DSC funding for hubs had been clarified and confirmed that funding will be available for 2015/16. The 5 hubs in the NHSCT area continue to develop, with open access across all hubs from point of referrals. Overview of referral source has indicated an increase in referrals from SPOE, Health visiting and self-referrals, decrease in referrals from locality Gateway, reduction evident ¼ on ¼, linked to step-up step down protocol – families moving from FSIT intervention to lower tier involvement. Work around hubs will link in with workstream 2 EITP, new service to be aligned to hubs. SCIE to progress an evaluation of Hubs, currently reviewing referral information, highest referral rates primarily in the 5 – 11 age range, major reason for referrals, emotion and behaviour difficulties. EHWP hubs identified for Larne, Carrick and Newtownabbey, GP referrals to coordinator, need to ensure not duplication of referrals as some families may be known to other services. Noted the establishment of super councils and work being progressed

with regards to the realignment of policing boundaries, acknowledged impact on all statutory and voluntary agencies to ensure alignment of Boundaries.

7. Any Other Business

- Surestart Review being progressed by McClure and Watters, full report due.
- Draft Child care strategy – currently out for consultation, due for sign off by end of the year
- Phoenix ADHD group – application made to the Big Lottery. Hope to extend the service in Magherafelt/Cookstown, possibly Ballymena. Susan Gault remains link within Trust.
- Youth Justice – noted appointment of Paula Jack as Youth Justice Agency Chief Executive
- Noted appointment of Koulla Yiasouma as the new Commissioner for Children and Young People

Action points for February meeting

- Anne Hardy to convene sub group meeting re completion of action plan. Completed action plan to be prepared for sign off at February meeting.
- Marie Roulston to liaise with Maurice leeson re pilot site within the NHSCT.
- Hilary Johnston, PHA to raise regionally concern from NHSCT regarding the exclusion of the Star babies project as a potential model.

Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 11th February 2015 @ 2 pm in the Boardroom, Bretten Hall,
Antrim.



Marie Roulston

Director Children's services