

**CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP (CYPSP)
MINUTES OF EMOTIONAL AND BEHAVIOURAL DIFFICULTIES SUB-GROUP
TUESDAY 16 APRIL 2013
COMMITTEE ROOM, SOUTH TYRONE HOSPITAL, DUNGANNON**

PRESENT:

Peadar White, CAMHS Head of Service, SHSCT (Chair)
Norma Patterson, Independent Rep
Pauline Curran, SELB Advisor
Bernie Tierney, Action for Children
Maurice Leeson, Children's Services Planning, HSCB
Gemma Donnelly, Extern
Catriona Rooney, HSCB
Paula Keenan, Partnership Network

APOLOGIES:

Andrew Hawthorne, CSP Support Officer
Stephen Bergin, PHA
Monica McCann, Barnardos
Denise O'Hagan, PHA
Mary Donaghy, Social Care Commissioning Lead, HSCB

MINUTE TAKER:

Leanne Barry

PREVIOUS MINUTES

Pauline offered amendments to the previous minute, which will be made and re-circulated.

REGIONAL UPDATE

Maurice noted that it has been acknowledged that this is the first time this level of planning has been attempted and improvements have been noted for the future. The Outcomes Group will address these processes to improve communication.

Maurice noted that the purpose of the process is to improve co-ordination of services, which requires partners offering up funding to deliver same and this issue will be on the CYPSP agenda for discussion with CEOs, given their commitment to look at integrated planning.

WORKING GROUPS UPDATE

Peadar acknowledged that the EBD Sub-group had developed a clear action plan, which went for consultation and the Sub-group subsequently identified work streams to take the process forward.

Full School Model – Pauline noted that the model has been identified, however, the difficulty is now identifying the strategic people to take this forward. Maurice noted that Claire Mangan should be included in this work stream, given her input into the Early Intervention Sub-group and she could also inform any strategic decision.

How the model would be operationalised was discussed. Peadar noted that there is a regional review being undertaken with regard to the school based services, such as ACE, MAST, etc. When completed the services will have a common name, model, framework, etc, which may aid the Full School Model. Historically these teams worked with the 4 – 8 year old population and in some areas out to 11-12 years old. Potential in the future to increase funding may be extend existing teams to include the Nursery/Playgroup age group and the service would act as an early alert service before a referral to core services would be required. Kieran McShane and Claire McGarland are undertaking the review and Maurice agreed to have further discussion re same. In addition it was felt that Kieran should be invited to a future meeting.

➤ **Action – Maurice to have further discussions re the review of services.**

Discussion turned to the post-primary population and it was acknowledged that there are many programmes already in place and this area would be less difficult. It was also noted that schools use the pathway to the HUBs.

It was agreed that the model would work well for the 0 – 16 population if resources were available, therefore the focus of work should be on identifying what is in place currently, any notable gaps in provision, structural changes required, interface issues, etc. However, the willingness of Principals to follow a regional model may be a difficulty and a strategic direction is required.

Tier 2 Development – An action plan was submitted for consideration, which includes a review of regional existing provision, identifying any overlaps/gaps, agree a Tier 2 strategy regionally, etc. In addition this group will link into ongoing work to provide an overview. Catriona noted that work would largely be taken forward via the regional CAMHS Managers.

It was noted that the funding for the HUB development and Tier 2 regional development is in place and having a PMHW sitting on every HUB would be achievable by 2014. An early intervention mapping exercise has already been completed and will be reviewed. This will also link in with the roll out of the Step Care Model and will create an opportunity to develop a confederation/network of service providers to highlight a better, clearer understanding of their roles and responsibilities and their contribution to integrated intervention planning. A regional threshold criteria will be agreed to include a wide evidence based range to ensure good outcomes. In addition a regional outcomes framework will be developed to look at the range of services provided, measuring outcomes and harnessing the data in a more structured way.

IMH – Peadar noted that Maurice Meehan has been contacted re making links with the PHA IMH Training Strategy. Peadar is to sit on the Regional IMH strategy group and Maurice is to have a place on the Regional Bamford group. Discussion within the group focused on the delivery of IMH within CAMHS, some anxiety was noted re an emerging focus at this becoming solely a specialised clinical service and training/funding primarily channelled to empower small numbers of clinicians to deal with complex issues. Peadar noted that there appeared to be a broad selection of training available from general awareness of IMH to highly specialised training. He added that while the Southern Trust’s IMH Service has a small complex clinical component, the main focus is to raise awareness/promotion of IMH and to make links with other services. Peadar reiterated that the feedback to date indicates that the mix is correct and service fits comfortably under CAMHS stepped care model.

It was acknowledged that the Southern Trust’s model was good and that it could easily be developed in other Trust areas.

PARTNERSHIP NETWORK

Paula advised that the content of the child friendly action plan has been circulated for comment and when agreed this will be included. She added that partnership working will be available to all groups in order to obtain the views of children and young people.

LETTER FROM CHILDREN’S COMMISSIONER

Maurice advised that he met with the Commissioner to brief her of the work of the groups. He noted that the Still Vulnerable: The Impact of Early Childhood Experiences on Adolescent Suicide and Accidental Death report had been launched and he agreed to review and raise any issues relevant to this group.

- ***Action – Maurice to review the report and raise any issues relevant to this group.***

Dates of Next Meeting

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