



Children & Young People's Strategic Partnership



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Southern Area Outcomes Group

Children & Young People's Action Plan 2025 – 2028

CYPSP Priorities 2025-2028

Overarching CYPSP Priorities 2025-2028	Southern Area Outcomes Group Priorities – 2025-2028
Early Intervention/ Early Help family support for all	Early Intervention/ Early Help family support Migrant Minority Ethnic Children & Young People Children with a disability
Early Intervention mental health & emotional wellbeing	Early Intervention mental health & emotional wellbeing
School Disruption	School Disruption
Poverty/Cost of Living	Poverty/Cost of Living
<p>All above underpinned by Voice of Young People</p> <p>NOTE: This is a live plan and will be reviewed and refreshed based on emerging issues for children, young people and families across the area on an ongoing basis.</p> <p>This Plan has been aligned with Armagh, Banbridge and Craigavon Council Community Plan, Mid- Ulster Council Community Plan and Newry, Mourne and Down Council Community Plan to add value, collaboration and avoid duplication.</p>	

Regional Priorities

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Early Intervention/ Early Help Family Support for All

Outcomes

- Families can access support at point of need as soon as possible
- Improve early help/ access to support for children with a disability and their families
- Improve access to Services for Migrant Minority Ethnic

Key Actions

- Raise awareness of practical family support, parent support/peer support and empower parents
- Update and promote Inclusive Community Toolkit to improve access to services for CwD
- Establish welcome/community hubs across the Southern Area

Early Intervention mental health & emotional wellbeing

Outcomes

- Young People & Families have improved resilience and timely access to support at the point of need

Key Actions

- Enhance multi-agency awareness of available support services
- Enhance awareness of support for young people
- Enhance awareness of support for parents

School Disruption

Outcomes

- Wraparound whole Family support Pathway for non-school attenders

Key Actions

- Design Pilot in respect of filling gap for 13-16 yrs services for young people that are hard to reach and isolated on a step by step pathway approach

Poverty/ Cost of Living

Outcomes

- Provide timely support to vulnerable people in the community in respect of food and fuel poverty and cost of living crisis

Key Actions

- Link with Councils in respect of identifying a managed pathway and links with Family Support Hubs
- Link, support and share information with council stakeholder forums

Locality Planning
Groups

Family Support
Hubs

Early
Intervention




The voice of children & young
people


Task and Finish
Groups


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Action Plan 2025 – 2028


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Group/Priority	How will we do it?	Outcomes	Action Plan agreed to date	Status	Progress to date	Monitoring	Links
Early Help Family Support for All Chair: TBA	<p>Sharing information, knowledge, expertise and making links about Emotional mental health and wellbeing</p> <p>Strengthen links with partners across SHSCT to add value and avoid duplication</p> <p>Identifying priorities and actions to meet unmet need</p> <p>Utilising resources/ pooling budgets and expertise effectively Local perspective</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Families can access support at point of need as soon as possible via FSHs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SAOG Contracts to be reviewed and renewed for next planning cycle 24-27 Raise awareness of practical & emotional family support, parent /peer support and empower parents Identify and promote social cafes Community outreach – information and classes on parenting, budgeting, benefits, nutrition etc Explore opportunities for funding for evidence based parenting programme delivery where needs are identified/gaps emerge and to include them in contracts developed to support parent/families 	  	<p>Practical Family Support Contracts 24-27 with a key focus on practical family support out to tender for 3 yrs; contract conditions of core membership of FSHs and practical & emotional parent support includes Outcomes Star monitoring.</p>		<p>NI Children's Strategy 2020-30 – Physical & Mental Health; Living in Safety & Stability; Positive Contribution to Society; Promotion of equality and of good relations; Respect for Rights.</p> <p>Mental Health Strategy Workstream 9 Draft PFG –Actions: Pgs 20; 30; 34; 36; 41; 44; 67.</p> <p>Making Life Better – Theme 1</p> <p>ABC Community Plan - Outcomes: Community; Economy; Place.</p> <p>NM&D Community Plan outcomes - Enjoy Good health & Wellbeing</p> <p>Mid Ulster Community Plan – Themes 3; 4; 5.</p>




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Improve early intervention for Emotional Mental Health and Wellbeing needs of children and families across SHSCT area including School disruption Chair – Jacqueline Masterson SHSCT	<p>Sharing information, knowledge, expertise and making links about Emotional mental health and wellbeing</p> <p>Strengthen links with partners across SHSCT to add value and avoid duplication</p> <p>Identifying priorities and actions to meet unmet need</p> <p>Utilising resources/ pooling budgets and expertise effectively Local perspective</p> <p>Co-Production with Children & Young People</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Young People & Families have improved resilience and timely access to MHEW support at the point of need Wraparound whole Family support Pathway for non-school attenders 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Share community assets Review language used in terms of MHEW Design Pilot in respect of filling gap for 13-16 year old services for young people that are hard to reach and isolated on a step by step pathway approach Enhance multi-agency awareness of available support services Enhance awareness of support for young people Enhance awareness of support for parents Promote/ facilitate trauma/ solihull training for teachers Link with EWTs in Schools in respect of young people feedback on school disruption. 		<p>Work underway via Task group – scoping exercise on current services, good practice and identifying parents and young people to help co-produce developments KPIs for Pilot to be developed</p>	<p>Increase young people accessing early support</p> <p>Decrease in School refusal /avoidance</p>	<p>NI Children's Strategy 2020-30 – Physical & Mental Health; Living in Safety & Stability; Positive Contribution to Society; Promotion of equality and of good relations; Respect for Rights.</p> <p>Mental Health Strategy Workstream 9 Draft PFG –Actions: Pgs 20; 30; 34; 36; 41; 44; 67.</p> <p>Making Life Better – Theme 1</p> <p>ABC Community Plan - Outcomes: Community; Economy; Place.</p> <p>NM&D Community Plan outcomes - Enjoy Good health & Wellbeing</p> <p>Mid Ulster Community Plan – Themes 3; 4; 5.</p>

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<p>Improve Early help / access to services for Ethnic Diverse & Migrant Children, young people and families.</p> <p>Chair – Robbie McCague, SHSCT</p>	<p>Sharing information, knowledge, expertise & making links about BAME Access to Services</p> <p>Strengthen links with partners across SHSCT to add value and avoid duplication</p> <p>Identifying priorities & actions to meet unmet need</p> <p>Utilising resources, and expertise effectively and pool budgets</p> <p>Local perspective Co-Production with BAME families</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve access to services for Ethnic Diverse & Migrant, Children & Young People and families • Improved ESOL provision across the SHSCT area 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish welcome/community hubs across the Southern Area • Utilise and evaluate use of Technology in frontline interactions • English availability promoted at different levels and accredited. • Investigate how childcare and other barriers can be removed • Run an educational workshop for cultural competency • Scoping exercise to identify asset banks including venues and safe/neutral spaces. • Link with Councils to align ongoing work supporting Ethnic diverse communities. • Work to increase the levels of engagement with parenting programmes with technological support and interpreter services • Work with BSO Interpreter services to explore promotion of HSCNI interpreting in secondary education as a future career prospect 		<p>ABC Council leading on new community support hubs across Council area – Group members supporting.</p> <p>Evaluation underway of new translation devices across number of Trust premises.</p> <p>Linked with ABC & NM Dispersal Groups</p> <p>Proposal being drawn up.</p>		<p>NI Children's Strategy 2020-30 – Physical & Mental Health; Living in Safety & Stability; Positive Contribution to Society; Promotion of equality and of good relations; Respect for Rights.</p> <p>Mental Health Strategy Workstream 9 Draft PFG –Actions: Pgs 20; 30; 34; 36; 41; 44; 67.</p> <p>Making Life Better – Theme 1</p> <p>ABC Community Plan - Outcomes: Community; Economy; Place.</p> <p>NM&D Community Plan outcomes - Enjoy Good health & Wellbeing</p> <p>Mid Ulster Community Plan – Themes 3; 4; 5.</p>

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Improve early help/ access to support for children with a disability and their families Chair – Gillian McKeown, Barnardo's	Sharing information, knowledge, expertise and making links about Children and Young People with a Disability & their families Strengthen links with partners across SHSCT & other Trust areas to add value and avoid duplication Identifying priorities and actions to meet unmet need Utilising resources and expertise effectively/ pool budgets Local perspective Co-Production with Parents, Children & Young People	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase access to relevant, appropriate and timely support and information for Children and young people with a Disability & their families 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dedicated disability workers attached to family support hubs Focus on needs of child rather than a diagnosis/label Update and promote inclusive community toolkit across Com/vol sector to improve access to services for CwD Scope Self Care for parents and siblings Look at possibility of running "Treat Me Well" programme for front line staff Co-produce All About ME Passport for Older young people Continue to roll out and promote "Your Journey through Disability Guide for Parents". Look at possibilities of ring fenced funding to support voluntary/ community sector. Build capacity of staff within Special Schools to support parents through 		Funding identified Meeting to be arranged Young people groups being facilitated		NI Children's Strategy 2020-30 – Physical & Mental Health; Living in Safety & Stability; Positive Contribution to Society; Promotion of equality and of good relations; Respect for Rights. Mental Health Strategy Workstream 9 Draft PFG –Actions: Pgs 20; 30; 34; 36; 41; 44; 67. Making Life Better – Theme 1 ABC Community Plan - Outcomes: Community; Economy; Place. NM&D Community Plan outcomes - Enjoy Good health & Wellbeing Mid Ulster Community Plan – Themes 3; 4; 5.

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			<p>evidence based programmes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure parents are aware of community based evidence based programmes funded by the Trust and delivered by C & V sector partners 		<p>Linking with parents on best method to communicate</p>		

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Poverty/ Cost of Living	<p>Promote a local collaborative focus on early intervention and prevention where possible and emergency response based on identified need to improve outcomes for wellbeing needs of children and families.</p> <p>To provide a wraparound Service to share information, knowledge, expertise relevant to the area, to make links where needs or gaps are identified and to share information on potential supports available within existing provision</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide timely support to vulnerable people in the community in respect of food and fuel poverty and cost of living crisis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Link with Councils in respect of identifying a managed pathway and links with Family Support Hubs Link, support and share information with council stakeholder forums 	  	Meeting to be arranged with ABC Council colleagues		<p>NI Children's Strategy 2020-30 – Physical & Mental Health; Living in Safety & Stability; Positive Contribution to Society; Promotion of equality and of good relations; Respect for Rights.</p> <p>Mental Health Strategy Workstream 9 Draft PFG –Actions: Pgs 20; 30; 34; 36; 41; 44; 67.</p> <p>Making Life Better – Theme 1</p> <p>ABC Community Plan</p> <p>- Outcomes: Community; Economy; Place.</p> <p>NM&D Community Plan outcomes - Enjoy Good health & Wellbeing</p> <p>Mid Ulster Community Plan – Themes 3; 4; 5.</p>

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	<p>Strengthen links with partners across SHSCT to add value and avoid duplication</p> <p>Promote core messages and information to appropriate groups</p>						

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