

**MINUTES OF THE NORTHERN OUTCOMES GROUP  
HELD ON 9 August 2017 IN THE BOARDROOM, TRUST HQ**

<b>Present:</b> - Marie Roulston	NHSCT
Susan Gault	NHSCT
Maurice Leeson	HSCB
John Fenton	NHSCT
Grainne Keane	YJA
Jenny Adair	NCP
Ruth-Ann Delija	AFC
Billy McMillan	Barnardos
Gemma Lutton	CYPSP
Martina Totten	Mid Ulster Council
Nichola McCall	Mid & East Antrim Council

<b>Apologies:</b> - Una Casey	CYPSP
Ivor Mitchell	YMCA
Maurice Meehan	PHA
Selena Ramsey	Locality Dev. Officer
Pamela Woods	EA
Helen Dunn	HSCB
Sharon Kirk	Surestart
Sandra Anderson	CSP Participation Officer

**Previous Minutes and matters arising**

The previous meeting was held on the 14 June - minutes agreed and signed off.

Matters arising:

- Due to the restructuring within the EA, new senior manager with delegated responsibility for EA representation at this meeting still to be confirmed. Pamela Woods will provide update as soon as possible.
- Further Strengthening Communities workshop scheduled with Family and Childcare SW Managers in October 2017 to take forward the development of an implementation plan for the strategy. Consultation will take place following the workshop with other agencies with respect to the implementation plan.
- IMH Strategy - Finalised paper to be signed off w/c 7<sup>th</sup> August.
- Upcoming developments - Incredible Years programme – HV referrals received and full course to run September 2017 – information sessions planned with participants in advance of the programme.

**AGENDA**

**Concern Hubs**

PSNI development in partnership with a number of statutory agencies. Pilot project undertaken in N`abbey area with a clear benefit being noted for Adult Colleagues

with respect to vulnerable adults, unclear at this stage as to whether Childcare services have benefited from this development. Second hub due to be launch in NHSCT area on the 5<sup>th</sup> September and will be the Mid and East Antrim multi-disciplinary support hub. Concern voiced by forum as to the potential degree of confusion the name of this hub may create and it was agreed that John Fenton and Marie Roulston would raise this issue at the next hub overview group meeting. Review of N`abbey hub to take place in the near future – YJA awaiting outcome of the review before making any future commitments into this development. PSNI moving forward with project with a further hub planned for Mid-Ulster area in partnership with the council area reps and PSNI. **ACTION: John / Marie to raise issue around MEA hub name**

## Specifications

- **ADHD** – Barnardos have been successful and have been awarded the contract to provide the NHSCT Paediatric ADHD post diagnostic support service for newly diagnosed children aged 6 -25 years. Referrals will be through the ADHD clinics/BAS nurses, who will oversee the delivery and quality of programme/information. Formal feedback will be sought from children and families about services offered. Formal feedback on individual visits will be given to ADHD Consultants/bas Nurses on completion of 3 visits. Meeting scheduled between NHSCT and Barnardos to agree detail and timescales – recruitment and training and staffing. This is initially a 2 year programme **ACTION: Susan Gault**
- Children`s Disability - Due to potential conflict of interest for forum members details cannot be shared at this stage. Tender reworked and due to go out to press in the incoming week. **ACTION: Sharon Crawford**
- **Culture Integration Services** – Due to potential conflict of interest for forum members details cannot be shared – Tender due to go to out to press during the next couple of weeks.  
**ACTION: Tracy Magill**

## Slippage

- Small grant scheme progress - monitoring paper to be shared with Forum once completed.  
**ACTION: Una Casey**

## FSH

- Referrals continue to significantly increase across all hubs: Quarter 1 referral rate equates to 604, averaging out at 151 per month,(highest since the inception of the service) – good systems and teams in place to deal with increasing demand, however teams working to capacity and delivery of a service remains a challenge in terms of gatekeeping. Concern noted that

partnership agencies would begin to get overwhelmed with referrals, however work ongoing to ensure action on a referral from another resource if one organisation is unable to provide service immediately. Ruth Ann to pull together data with respect to referral and allocation rates, redirected referrals, referral categories and potential gaps since inception of the service. Maurice noted that the 16/17 annual report has been completed and will be circulated shortly, Helen Dunn currently working on the 5 area report cards which again will be shared. Increased demand for FSH services is evident when comparing the 14/15 and 16/17 regional annual reports i.e. 2635 families through the hubs in 14/15 as opposed to 6075 during 16/17, some linkage to additional hubs coming on board during that period. 5-10 years remain the biggest age group referred to the hubs, mainly due to emotional/behavior difficulties. Self-referrals noted regionally as the highest category of referrals and data from the NHSCCT hubs would support this. Decrease in referral from Gateway noted and query raised as to the correlation/trends of this in relation to the increase in other rates. Maurice Leeson to review data and identify any trends/correlation and emerging needs. Analysis of the feedback from the hub partnership survey for 16/17 removed very positive. **ACTION: Maurice L and Ruth Ann to provide data noted. Helen to share Northern area report card when available**

- Funding secured for FSH until March 2018. A number of bids to support further future funding have been submitted under transformational funding, no further update at this stage. Helen Dunn working on identifying a date for the regional steering group to progress discussion re potential avenues for future funding. Maurice noted the benefit of data collation as this was used in detail of bids to support narrative around trends, rates and emerging needs.

### **Locality Planning and Participation update**

Deferred to next meeting

### **Action plan 2017-20**

With respect to the priorities, the following was agreed:

- `All our children will have the best start in life` – Susan Gault to amend as discussed. Logic model template to be shared by Mrs J Scobie with NOG members and any further comments to be forwarded to Susan. **ACTION: Susan**
- `Children and young people will be more resilient` – Billy and Ivor to lead on subgroup and review – subgroup meeting scheduled for earlier this week had been stood down due to sick leave. Una to reschedule subgroup on her return from annual leave. John Fenton and Grainne Keane to provide input John to invite Liz McCurry to provide input and Susan to discuss with Siobhan McErlane with respect to same. **ACTION: Billy/Ivor**

- `Children and Young people are supported to have healthy relations based on mutual respect` –. Logic model template to be circulated for consideration by Mrs J Scobie. Gemma to link in with Sandra on her return to work next week with respect to priority 3, to review the detail – Sandra to reconvene group to include Tracy Magill re DV and Sharon Crawford. Sandra to link in with LPGs as appropriate for wider input, inclusion of HI/CD, Education Authority, SBNI, PSNI, Sexual Health teams would be beneficial, John Fenton happy for Sandra to link in with him to discuss further **ACTION: Sandra**

### **Plan on a Page**

- Una has worked with a number of young people over the summer who have come up with a design for a plan leaflet rather than a page on a plan. Further work required, however feedback from the young people at this stage would be that some of the current wording is difficult to understand. Una to take forward and provide completed draft for consideration by end of September **ACTION: Una**

### **Peace Proposals (areas/themes for directing potential funding)**

- Purpose of any project proposal should be to improve the mental health and wellbeing outcomes of children and young people. Maurice confirmed that he had shared the outcome groups' plans to highlight the themes emerging across Trusts. Criteria for proposals divided into 3 main categories, ie
  - **Good relations** – interventions contribute to lower levels of community division, sectarianism and racism and make a positive contribution to reconciliation.
  - **Personal Development** – focuses on developing the social, emotional and soft skills of the participant.
  - **Citizenship** – interventions help develop the capacity of the participant to make a positive contribution towards their participation in family, community and society. Detail shared with Forum.

It was agreed for thought to be given to projects/pilots that organisations would be keen to progress if short term funding was made available. Potential areas of interest would include ACE (Adverse Childhood Experiences) around multi-disciplinary / multi-agency working together to develop shared interventions. Mrs Roulston highlighted project being considered for potential pilot in the Northern Trust area - `Sleep Scotland` positive evaluation in the context of EHWP – bid submitted under the £50m committed to Mental Health through Joyce McKee. Billy noted work being undertaken by Barnardos with respect to sleep programme being developed in NI. **ACTION: Billy to forward detail of programme.** Pause programme - Pause.org and the Big Lottery have made initial approach to NHSCT with regards to whether there is any interest in identifying a pilot site for Pause.org to have a project in NI.

## **AOB**

- Radicalisation – noted upcoming regional event. Significant partnership working on-going in the Northern Trust area with PSNI colleagues.

## **Date of next meeting**

11<sup>th</sup> October 2017 at 11.30am in the Boardroom Carrick YMCA

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Marie Roulston

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