

CYPSP OUTCOME GROUPS

UPDATE REPORT – May 2021

OUTCOME GROUP	CHAIR	ACHIEVEMENTS / ACTIVITIES	ISSUES / CHALLENGES
Belfast Area	Carol Diffin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Covid Response Initiatives. Practical support for families Discussion re quantities of service delivered and impact through this package of initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 1,300 families received baby support packs – 336 families received wifi supports who were struggling to support home/blended learning for children – 4,200 sessions of cook it type food support delivered to families. • Opportunities to further develop this approach in 2021/22 Sub group established to look at lessons learned from experience of aligning spends and co-producing responses to emerging needs based on Hubs>LPG>BAOG cycle. Ability of differing coalitions of BAOG agencies to build on aligned and shared spend type models to respond to gaps identified as BAOG partners move forward into 2021/22. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pressure re further development of earlier intervention pathways on behavioural and ASD related lists. Concerns re hub capacity to meet emerging needs precipitated by Covid pressures on families alongside the current pressures related to ASD/ADHD. • Identifying funding opportunities to support spend alignment approaches Given the current financial environment the capacity to capitalise on the momentum that more integrated and flexible spends offer may be constrained. • Given the pressures, (some still unknown but anticipated) across sectors promoting strength and resilience based approaches as we move forward. Engagement and reflection events dealing with the impact of the pandemic

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing Work re Community Planning linkages with Integrated Early help target in Belfast Agenda. Outcomes Group activity has commenced re scoping the Community Planning linkages to the scale of the design tasks associated with the Community Planning partnerships request re developing Early help offers in Belfast. Timelines, etc are being developed. • Paper presented re impact of Covid period on FS Hub network 20%+ increase in hub activity 2020/21. Shifting patterns of need identified and significant cohorts of new families overlaid on long standing pressures such as ASD waiting lists. Discussion re strategic pressures emerging and challenges for BAOG in responding to these pressures. 	<p>period on Hubs and Locality Planning structures have indicated the levels of tiredness across our partners in the broader Community and Voluntary sectors. The need to support these structures was apparent given the challenge in responding to what may be ahead in terms of rebuilding and responses.</p>
Northern Area	Maura Dargan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NOG workshop held in February 2021 to focus on the regional priorities in relation to the Northern Area and to identify range of actions to address these issues locally. Task and Finish groups established to take forward identified actions, will inform the NOG action plan for the next 3 years. <p>So far 2 of the T&F groups have had very productive meetings to work through logic models to refine actions. 2 more planned over the coming weeks.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NHSCT secured funding to enable extension of Save the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase in anti-social behaviour. Youth centres/youth diversion programmes closed due to Pandemic • Additional funding required to increase capacity for MH support to be put in place and support families at Early Intervention • Limited access to support services, included GP surgeries has seen a significant increase in CYP presenting

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		<p>Children emergency response programme. Partnership initially set up with StC and FSH and more recently with Antrim/N'abbey Borough Council Community Advice Centres. The funding assists with offering practical financial support for vulnerable families within all LPG areas through FSH, this included early learning packs and household items. During period Feb-March 21, 99 families and 198 children living within families experiencing hardship were supported through the FSH partnership. In aligning StC with Community Advice centres in Antrim/Newtownabbey council, a further 70 families were referred and 135 children reached.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whole staff training in Trauma and Mental Health-Informed Schools and Communities organised and promoted 144 people attended the training. Slides shared with 256 people (252 registered and whose unable to attend). Evaluation being completed. • Configuration workshop held with LPG chairs and representatives. 	<p>and requiring acute hospital admissions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited face to face contact • Increase in referrals and longer waiting lists for stat and Voluntary services • Lack of/no engagement for PSNI, Housing Executive and EA. No BAME organisations represented on the NAOG. Really need to have these organisations involved to ensure collaborative working.
South Eastern Area	Barbara Campbell	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A facilitated SEOG Workshop was held on the 9th of February with good representation from a wide range of Outcomes Group members. At the workshop a range of ideas were explored in line with each of the four Regional Priorities. Following this, four working groups (aligned to each of the Priorities) were established with three of them 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The continued impact of the pandemic means that local services are stretched in adapting to the lockdown and also dealing with increased demand from children and families, particularly in relation to mental health and poverty.

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		<p>having met to agree specific actions for the next 12 months. A number of these actions have already been completed, such as developing a new directory of services relating to supporting children impacted by the disruption to their school.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The partnership SE Family Poverty Service completed in March, with over 400 of the most vulnerable families across the SE area being able to access a range of hardship related services. Please see the Impact Report for this service (Appendix 1). One of the SEOG working groups (aligned to the food and fuel poverty Regional Priority) has agreed to explore a 21/22 continuation of this service in partnership with all four Councils, the Department of Communities, the Trust and C&V sector partners. 	
Southern Area	Paul Morgan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Following workshop in February – 3 task groups have been agreed and set up – Emotional health and wellbeing Network; BAME access to Services; and Voice of Children and young people. Work is underway to hold a workshop with parents and partner agencies to take forward Our Journey through disability work – a new strategic task group will be set up following this workshop to link with local work. The outcomes group will also be flexible in relation to 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>CAMHS/Youth Justice</u> – Pilot noted to be hugely successful and regional roll out had been hoped for this year, however, funding commitments have paused same. Nevertheless, potential roll out in the Western Trust is being explored, with funding for one year being identified for a Manager and another Practitioner Identified Risk to Translation Hub and new Young Persons page on CYPSP

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		<p>supporting the work of the new Poverty forum in the Southern area and the Domestic Violence partnership.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work has commenced on the development of a new Regional Emotional health and wellbeing webpage which is being led by young people with a first meeting held on 28 April. The new page will provide young people with a central user friendly resource specifically for children and young people with the view to identifying ambassadors within schools to promote the new page to their peers to promote wellbeing. • We will continue to work with young people in respect of feedback on priority areas to be fed into the action planning process – with some of the young people providing feedback on Emotional Health and wellbeing at CYPSP meeting on 6th May. • There has been considerable work with the BAME access to Services Task group in assisting with videos in relation to the roll out of COVID19 Vaccines to BAME community. Work continues on a detail needs analysis with new focus group work with families being piloted in relation to access to health, education including school enrolments, housing and support services and what could be done better due to complete beginning of June. • Promotion and roll out of the Translation Hub continues with huge amounts of new information being sent through 	<p>Website and to planning and information support to full CYPSP infrastructure due to lack of investment in CSP Information Support team for a post that has been temporary for 9 years (currently confirmed on a 3 monthly basis)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identified Risk in relation to Locality Planning Support in Southern Area due to only 1 Locality Officer being overstretched across 6 Locality Planning Groups. Re-prioritising of work to focus on core business priorities. • Challenge for LPG's to complete action plans due to services and staff currently working to full capacity, with uncertainty around what they are able to deliver in the short, medium and long term. • Need to ensure a smooth transition for CYPSP team to BSO/DoH by end of March 22, to ensure there is no disruption to the support currently available to all Outcomes Groups, Locality Planning Groups and Regional groups. • Need to look at process for encouraging

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		<p>weekly for the different sections – work has commenced on developing new introductory bi-lingual videos explaining how to use and access the information on the site. Leaflets about the site are currently being distributed across factories in Southern area and mid Ulster area in partnership with STEP.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This group also facilitated The Executive Office to present at its meeting on 21 April to assist with consultation on new Racial Equality Law. 	<p>full attendance at outcomes groups to ensure full representation of partners.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need to look at opportunities of joint funding as we move into this new planning cycle and not just funding from Health.
Western Area	Tom Cassidy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Action planning workshop held on 24 February to identify actions in relation to previously agreed outcomes which fit well with the regional priorities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All children and YP have the best start in life and are emotionally and physically healthy All children and YP are safe and their welfare is promoted within their homes, schools and communities All children and young people are supported to thrive and achieve their potential <p>Great discussions in all breakout rooms and task and finish groups identified. One task and finish group have met and have worked through a logic model to refine actions and identify work going forward, 2 more are planned to take place this month.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Small grants scheme completed, monitoring reports starting to come in. Very creative use of small amounts of 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lack of engagement from EA, need both education and youth service to attend. ASD diagnosis waiting lists. Anti-community behaviour. Emotional wellbeing support. Need to recruit LPG coordinator post to backfill coordinator on secondment. Zoom fatigue among young people. Poverty.

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		<p>funding.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £15K set aside for period poverty, products to be distributed through LPG members. • Funded training delivered by Trauma informed schools. • 3 of the 4 Northern-sector LPGs have been re-established. Invite CYPSP members to encourage their local staff to engage with these groups. 	

A Partnership with DfC, South Eastern Health Trust, Lisburn and Castlereagh City Council ,
Ards and North Down Council and Barnardo's NI.

Poverty Support Fund Impact Report (December 2020 to March 2021)



108
White goods & furniture items



110
Electricity Top-Ups



245
Vouchers for Food

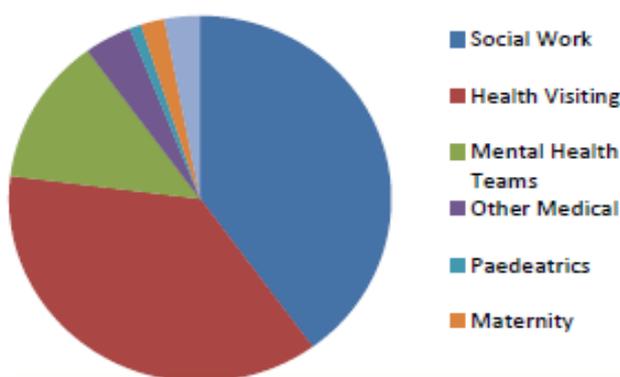


45
Fuel Top-Ups



12
IT equipment

We received referrals from a range of health professionals working with vulnerable families across LCC and AND areas.



Over half the referrals came from Social Work, Mental Health and Health Visiting teams:

- 21** referrals from 16 + teams
- 24** referrals from Children's Disability
- 19** referrals from Adult Mental Health
- 60** referrals from Family Nurse
- 72** referrals from Child and Family Teams
- 81** referrals from Health Visitor Teams

"It's amazing honestly, I have tried to figure out who would benefit most and not be creating a false expectation for people, but it has been a godsend for families when unexpected things have happened and job losses! And I love how straight forward the referral form is!" (Referrer)

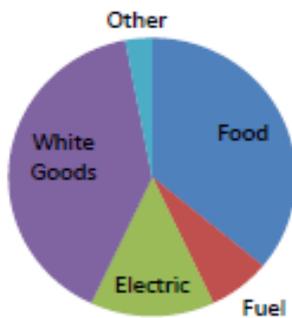
"Many children and families have benefited from this funding. This is a fantastic collaboration across agencies. A brilliant job and many thanks to all who made it happen."

£48,000



Ards and North Down

% of spend across AND

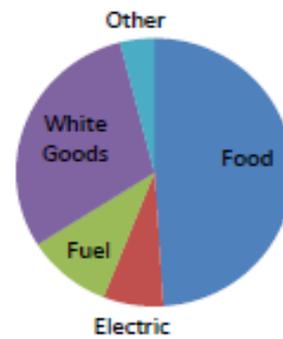


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Lisburn and Castlereagh

% of spend across LCC



Statistics only tell part of a story, and we wanted to share how small sums of money have made a **big** difference during a challenging time for many families.

"The families are so appreciative. Thank you to everyone working so hard in Barnardo's for making this possible in such a short space of time. "(SEHSCT)

"No-one has ever taken the trouble to help like this before ... I am so grateful" (Mum who received support.)

"It is really amazing to have got this number of referrals from such a broad range of front line staff and then for Barnardo's to have put in place the requested supports so quickly for families, please pass on our thanks to you team."



"It has been a very worthwhile, sensible and practical scheme, with a simple referral process which always helps! I have made a number of referrals and numerous "thank-you" back from parents who have found this help invaluable at a tough time with furlough and home schooling. I really think it has made a difference to families."

What Worked Well?



Focusing the support on the most vulnerable families in each Council area by ensuring that referrals came from a Trust professional, such as a nurse, doctor and social worker, following an assessment / identification of need and a discussion with the family. This included Trust staff who deliver universal services to all families in the Council area, such as Health Visitors, which ensured that no families in need missed out on support. This service therefore complimented the broader open access services that are available in the community, such as via Food Banks. A simple electronic referral process was also developed to ensure that it was easy for busy Trust health and social care professionals to make a referral to the scheme

Partners were committed to ensuring the funds were used to support families in need directly and only requested a small admin fee towards postage and administration. The staff time required to administer the fund was mainly provided in kind

The team were committed to prioritising and responding to the requests for support as soon as possible and Councils provided flexibility in how the funding was used to meet the particular needs of families struggling with poverty. For some families, food or heat was the key priority whilst for others a broken washing machine had the potential to cause real hardship. Therefore, families did not have to fit into certain funding 'boxes' as support could be tailored to family circumstances. Having a dedicated, responsive and knowledgeable local fulfilment team in Barnado's was also key to a quick and effective turnaround and they could also use local providers, supporting the local economy.

