

Report from Locality Planning Groups to Northern Area Outcomes Group

Month September to November 2020

Current Issues being Discussed at LPG: Including: Gaps in services/Emerging needs	 Covid 19 and its impact on mental health, feelings of lonliness. increase in online activity (for homework, socialising with friends, and gaming), school difficulties accessing technology (lack of parental knowledge, lack of devices). Some are delivering face to face again and this can be challenging – finding groups willing, new protocols and ways of working. Difficulty engaging families through virtual platforms. After a presentation from Parenting NI to the Larne and Carrickfergus LPG the group discussed it can be hard to get parents to engage with events/programmes being run by organisations. Not every parent is aware of the services available. Virtual LPG meetings planned for near foreseeable future.
Recent Achievements by the Locality Planning Group. How much did we do? How well did we do it? Is anyone better off? (can be included as a report card)	 LPG s working with NHSCT Sexual Health Promotion Lead, NSPCC and the PHA to roll out the NSPCC's "Underwear Rule" campaign- also known as the PANTS campaign – it has been supporting and encouraging parents to talk to children aged between 4-8 about staying safe from sexual abuse. Four workshops were organised and delivered in September and October 64 attended and feedback has been very positive so far. Additional workshops for some attendees have been organised as a result e.g., Homestart, Women's Aid

	 Nomination to the self care 'Corona Virus Innovation Awards' was put forward for Aine from Fresh Minds Education Team. It was agreed they met the demand noted by NHSCT, Lonliness network and CYPSP in developing the Emotional Wellbeing Boxes for teenagers (Report Card included). It has received a Highly Commended Status Award. The Children and young people's needs survey developed in partnership with LPG members has now closed. Thanks to the LPG members for assisting with its circulation, a high response rate was achieved. As expected Mental Health & Emotional Wellbeing was ranked highest by parents and children/young people. (Genral survey presentation included). 				
Engagement with Children and Young People, Parents/Carers: including numbers	The Children and young people's needs survey developed in partnership with LPG members has now closed. 474 parents responses and 127 children/young people's response. As expected Mental Health & Emotional Wellbeing was ranked highest by parents and children/young people. The results will be discussed at the next LPG meetings in November. This will help to inform the LPG's action plans.				
Meetings Held: Break down of number of meetings held: How many attended:	One LPG Zoom meeting in each area held. Larne/Carrickfergus- 30/09/20 10 attended Mid-Ulster- 11/09/2020 14 attended Antrim/Ballymena LPG- 15/09/20 16 attended Causeway- 10/09/20 17 attended				
Upcoming Events:	PANTS additional workshops: 04/11/20 – Homestart Causeway 10/11/20- Homestart Antrim 26/11/20 - Teachers				

Additional Information:	 A LPG in Newtownabbey is currently being set up. A meeting was held on 14/10/20 and 24 attended. The next meeting is planned for 10/11/20 via Zoom. Configuration of LPG next steps workshop planned for beginning of December with LPG member representatives, Trust staff and CYPSP.
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