

Name	Organisation	Present/Apology
Statutory Sector		
Maura Dargan	HSCT (Chair)	Present
Sharon Crawford	HSCT (Disability)	Present
Oisin Martin	HSCT (Hub Lead)	present
Claire Crowe	HSCT (Public Health Nursing)	Present
Hugh Nelson	HSCT (Planning & Modernisation)	apologies
VACANT	NI Housing Executive	
Nicola McCall	(MEA) Community Planning/Council	Apology
Ronan McKenna	(A&N) Community Planning/Council	Apology
Connor Cunning	(CCG) Community Planning/Council	Apology
Elizabeth Beattie	(CCG) Community Planning/Council	Apology
Celena O'Neill	(MU) Community Planning/Council	Apology
Michelle Adams	PSNI	
Bryan Leonard	Public Health Agency	Apology
Kate McDermott	Health and Wellbeing Manager	Present
Grainne Keane	Youth Justice Agency	present
Jenny Adair	Childcare Partnership	present
Deirdre Hasson	Education Authority	present
Michelle Gibb	CRUN	
Voluntary Sector		
Louise Kearney	Action for Children	Present
Sean McCosker	Barnardo's	Apology
Muriel Bailey	Parenting NI	Present
Kelly Maxwell	Autism NI	Apology
Other		
Zoe-Kernohan-Neeley	Early Year Organisation	Present
Karen Graham	Carrickfergus YMCA	Apology
	BYTES	Apology
BME Sector		
VACANT		
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Locality Planning Group Chairs		
Mervyn Rea	Antrim LPG	
Gerry McVeigh	Ballymena LPG	Apology
Roy Beggs	Carrickfergus LPG	
David McAllister	Larne LPG	
Ursula Marshall	Magherafelt & Cookstown LPG	present
	Causeway LPG	
	Newtownabbey LPG	
Locality Planners		
Represented by Kate McDermott		present
In Attendance		
Maxine Gibson	CYPSP (Professional Advisor)	Apology

Valerie Maxwell	CYPSP (Information Manager)	Apology
Bronwyn Campbell	CYPSP (Regional Family Support Hub Co-Ordinator)	Present
Julie Scobie	Note Taker	Present
Presentations		
Alison Adair	Sharing the care	Present

Welcome and apologies noted

Notes from previous meeting – agreed as an accurate reflection of the meeting

Presentation – Sharing the Care, Alison Adair

Comprehensive overview of services within NHSCT locality provided.

Responsive service that continues to develop to meet demand.

Future presentations

Exhausted current list of presentation themes, members to consider new and emerging services they wish to profile at future meetings

- Ethnic minorities Clare McGrath - S Crawford to arrange
- Paed SLT/OT – O Martin to arrange

CYPSP

Summary shared coming out of CYPSP meeting held on 22.3.24. Pause and reset workshop held in October, Small working group established to progress development of action plan based on discussions/findings, work to be fast-tracked over the next number of months and will inform CYPSP of priorities for the next number of years. Information shared re cross government interdepartmental board tasked with the implementation of NI CYP strategy, some concerns voiced around service gaps and linkages to existing groups, agreed working group would explore link in respect of governance arrangements for NI Children and Young People’s Plan, good opportunity to influence departmental bodies with linkages to young people and families. Papers shared today included consultation process with families and LPGs which will inform priorities moving forward, no new themes apart from vaping which is an emerging area. Each Outcomes group asked to consider face to face meeting in June to consider plans for the overarching 24/27 plan. Agreed extended in person meeting for 18th June, venue to be confirmed.

Task and Finish Groups – detailed report provided by V Maxwell

P1. EHWPB – group to progress work re available EHWPB needs including identified gaps and prioritise these moving into the new plan, alongside scoping of investment in existing services; Emotional Wellbeing Teams in Schools team lead to join task group; inclusion of youth voice proposed solution from young people shared that will inform plan. Current plan signed off, a number of actions identified to be carry over to planning workshop and inclusion in new plan.

P2. CWD - working group established, developing paper to be considered at next group meeting re next steps, will be a good resource once finalised.

P3. School disruption- work completed, unless further work identified via action planning discussion.

P4. Poverty – work completed, unless further work identified via action planning discussion.

LPG

Significant work ongoing current gaps /emerging needs remain as previously highlighted, i.e. cost of living and continued need for financial support for families, waiting lists and areas of unmet need. Those families who just miss out on benefits are worse off, `working poor`. Small grant activities funding provided and a number of projects established within localities aimed to target the highlighted gaps, evaluation of these will be provided from all organisation and shared with the LPG groups as relevant, group acknowledged the Innovative thinking around how identified needs can be address.

CSR update

A number of C&V organisations have been involved in recent events with Prof Jones, remains of significant interest across the region, no decision as yet or evaluation of consultation however hopefully imminent, potentially April 2024.

FSH – Q3 paper shared

Northern Hubs account for 88% of the referrals regionally where unmet need has prevented services being provided and have the highest number of referrals above threshold. These are cases where the family are already known to either Social Service or CAMHS tier 3 services, automatically disqualifying them from access to services via FSHub. These referrals generally come from GP's, schools and Paeds. Moving forward hub will monitor returns coming in, classed as inappropriate and undertake a targeted outreach educational piece with specific areas as required. Relationship between Gateway and FSH essential to ensure oversight of families and ensure they are linked to right service. No change in reason for referrals within NHSCT, further review of referrals for finance support to be undertaken as significantly less that WHSCT and BHSCT, i.e. is WHSCT/BHSCT for financial support only or part of a wider package of care. Concise report will continue to be shared at this forum, format will remain flexible to capture/reflect trends/themes, Bronwyn Campbell happy for feedback on the report. Comprehensive report will remain quarterly and end of year. Hubs continue to be overwhelmed with demand for services and C&V organisations can only provide the much needed early intervention services with long term continuous sustainable investment. Maura Dargan noted that it would be individual organisations responsibility to impress the ongoing need for sustainable funding for C&V organisations to narrow the gap for unmet need.

AOB

- Claire Crowe highlighted funding allocated within Trusts for Ethnic Minority support. HV/worker to support Health visiting services, being utilised in

Ballymena area linked to Roma population and development of Health protection team to support the increasing immigrant populace. Maura Dargan noted that the Trust continues to deliver services to this cohort with no dedicated funding stream, significant senior oversight in place with respect to the funding pressure created in delivering a service within the NHSCT locality.

- Clare Crowe noted that the new Infant MH strategy 2029 is due to be published in the next number of months, agreed that it would be useful to provide presentation at this forum at a future date.

Date of Next Meeting

18th June at 2.30pm in person, venue Conference Room, County Hall, Ballymena

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