

A Good Start in Life Work Programme

Health and Wellbeing Board
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A Good Start in Life - an overview

- Overseen by Sheffield Children’s Health and Wellbeing Partnership Board (CHWPB).
- The Future Shape Children’s Health Programme (4 workstream areas) is defined as ‘A Good Start in Life’.



Comprehensive review of Board priorities carried out in November 2013 – involving stakeholder interviews.

- 4 comprehensive workstreams all committed to improving C&YP’s Health & Wellbeing and reducing inequalities
 - WS1 Children with Complex Health Needs
 - WS2 Emotional Well Being and Mental Health
 - WS3 Supporting the delivery of the Healthy Child Programme (previously entitled Integrated Practice) including Best Start Sheffield – Early Years
 - WS4 Communications, Participation and Engagement

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Our Ambitions



- To reduce health inequalities and tackle poverty.
- Reducing inequalities and improving outcomes through redesigning and integrating a system of services for 0-24 year olds and families that improves their health (including Early Years Foundation Stage and attendance).
- Enabling C&YP to be resilient, fulfil their potential and be safe, healthy and strong.
- Ensuring that every child has the Best Start in Life including accessing pre-natal care.
- Establishing care pathways that work effectively and efficiently in a multi-agency environment in the best interest of the child/young person e.g. A&E substance misuse pathway.
- Focus on improving transition for young people and families, from children's to adult services – aligning with the Health & Social Care & Children & Families Bill.
- Partnership & joined up working between Health (NHS) and Children's Services (SCC).
- Reduce A&E admissions, inappropriate use of unscheduled care and continue to ensure efficient and effective health services.
- Improve Children & Young People's emotional wellbeing.
- Develop local and integrated services.

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What we have achieved

- Improved & enhanced partnership working.
- Commenced extensive service redesign in Early Year’s and Health Services for school age children.
- Alignment with the Children’s Joint Commissioning priorities.
- Citywide focus on parenting and attachment/attunement in Early Years.
- Improved ‘stuck’ inequalities in outcomes including: Improvements in health indicators - Reduction in childhood obesity and teenage pregnancy rates.
- Significant work to address infant mortality.

Successful Lottery Bid Submission (Stage 2) – Best Start Sheffield.

- Effective focus on working with vulnerable groups – ‘children who are looked after’.
- Effective workstream focusing on the Complex Child, particularly focused on integrated planning.
- ‘Inde’ Travel Transport for young people – promoting independence.
- Identified Infant Mortality Champions as part of the Infant Mortality Strategy.





Following a review of by the CHWPB key future priorities are:

- To develop and implement a new vision for the future of Early Years Services in Sheffield.
- Effectively implement & enhance the universal Healthy Child Programme.
- Seek to see a step change across the city in a range of outcomes within Early Years through the establishment of Best Start Teams and using the Best Start Lottery bid to focus across 3 wards of the city.
- Improve C&YP's emotional wellbeing and mental health through the development of universal early intervention/prevention.
- Engage & involve children, young people and families in the commissioning process.

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What we intend to do next

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The governance



- The Board consists of representation from: Sheffield City Council, Sheffield Clinical Commissioning Group, Sheffield Children’s NHS Foundation Trust, South Yorkshire Police, Sheffield Teaching Hospitals, Sheffield Healthwatch, local Voluntary and Community Sector, NHS England (Public Health England).
- The Children’s Health & Wellbeing Partnership Board meets monthly.
- It has an annual engagement Board meeting, requiring workstreams to evidence participation and engagement (with children, young people and families) demonstrating activity and outcomes.
- 4 key workstreams deliver the Board’s priorities.
- It reports to the Sheffield Health and Wellbeing Board.
- There is alignment to the Children’s Joint Commissioning Group.
- It links to the Citywide Learning Body.
- Also reports business to the 0-19 Partnership Board.