

Terms of Reference for Children and Young People Health and Wellbeing Group

1. Aims

The Children & Young People Health and Wellbeing Group ('the Group') will support the vision of the Health and Wellbeing Board ('the Board') to improve and protect our residents' health and to improve the health of the poorest fastest. The Group will provide strategic leadership and support, in order to improve the health and wellbeing of children and young people.

2. Objectives

Delivery of the following aims have been delegated to the Group by the Board:

- Provide strategic leadership and support to the health and wellbeing agenda for children and young people; and be accountable to the Health and Wellbeing Board
- Ensure a focus on prevention and early help, with the key outcomes of enabling more children and young people in Stockton to be healthy, happy and resilient, supported by services as appropriate
- Ensure partnership working across organisations, groups and teams on health and wellbeing issues for children and young people
- Champion the needs of children and young people and identify issues for consideration by the Health and Wellbeing Board / Partnership
- Develop an evidence-based commissioning strategy to address the health and wellbeing needs of children and young people, in line with the JSNA and Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy delivery plan and focussed on delivering tangible, improved outcomes
- Oversee the work programme of delivery on the commissioning strategy through a range of groups and plans

3. Principles of Working

The Group will consider in its role and remit the following elements:

- The needs of children and young people in their family context
- The needs of children and young people who are not based in families e.g. children in hospital, children's homes, residential schools, custody etc.
- The focus on young carers as part of the agenda
- That active engagement with children and young people and their families is undertaken throughout the Group's approach
- The focus on ensuring services are evidence-based; shaped according to need; best quality and value for money; and are focussed on demonstrable outcomes for children and young people

4. Processes

The processes by which the Group will operate are as follows. The Group will:

- Report to the Health and Wellbeing Board and Partnership on its work programme, actions and outcomes (at least annually) and support any relevant thematic reviews
- Endorsing and oversee the achievement of the relevant national and local targets including the performance requirements within the Health and Wellbeing Strategy and its delivery plan; the corporate delivery plan; and the CCG clear and credible plan
- Delegate actions to stakeholders and enable partners to act in line with the strategic work plan and in particular the Health and Wellbeing Strategy delivery plan
- Connect with other structures as required and link to key existing groups such as the Stockton Local Safeguarding Children Board, with the principle of providing added value and not duplication
- Communicate and connect with providers, other stakeholders and children and young people on the work plan

5 Sub Structures:

A number of sub-structures that are currently in existence will need to report to the Group. The precise reporting arrangements and linkages will be developed in the first year to inform future arrangements and work plans and will be reviewed regularly to ensure they are fit for purpose. However, this may include the Children's Centre Strategic Partnership group and other task and finish groups that consider specific issues / concerns.

6. Review

The Board and Group will review these Terms of Reference annually and update as required.