

# Children and Young People's Health and Wellbeing Commissioning Group

A meeting of Children and Young People's Health and Wellbeing Commissioning Group was held on Friday, 18th July, 2014.

**Present:** Sarah Bowman, Cllr Mrs Ann McCoy, Shaun McLurg, Simon Willson, Kate Birkenhead (substitute for Hilary Hall),

**Officers:** Michael Henderson (LD), Ruby Poppleton (PH)

**Also in attendance:** Tanja Braun (Tees Shared Services); Malathi Natarajan (NHS England Area Team), Louise O'Kello (NECS), Judith Rees, Janet MacKie (NTHFT)

**Apologies:** Mrs Lynda Brown, Peter Kelly, Victoria Cooling, Hilary Hall, Paul Williams, C/Supt Gordon Lang,

## **CHW 31/14 Appointment of Chairman**

RESOLVED that, in the absence of the Chairman, Sarah Bowman acts as chair for this meeting.

## **CHW 32/14 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

## **CHW 33/14 Smoking in Pregnancy**

The Group received a presentation relating to smoking in pregnancy services and support.

During consideration specific reference was made to the BabyClear Project. It was explained that the regional project had been fully implemented in February. The project comprises a 'risk perception' approach, at the time of the dating scan appointment, on the dangers of continued smoking and how this is communicated to the pregnant woman. The BabyClear project specifically targets those who have already declined stop smoking support at the first booking appointment. Details of the impact BabyClear risk perception interventions had had in Stockton were provided. Full evaluation results would be available in May / June 2015 and this would provide important information.

Members watched a video that illustrated a CO monitoring appointment.

The Group discussed the presentation and asked a number of questions. Issues raised included:-

- how could we encourage parents to keep smoke free homes, particularly where babies and children were resident. The Health visitors new national specification picked this up and lots of work would be undertaken to get the 'smokeless home' message across, to support the work already underway through Fresh.

- it was explained that, to inform targets, women were simply asked if they had quit. No CO test was undertaken to confirm this. It was suggested that the red/yellow baby monitoring book included questions around whether a mother

smoked and this may provide data over a longer period, post-delivery, than was currently available.

-School Nursing would have a role in pushing messages. Training would be provided to school Nurses.

- it was suggested that a similar presentation be provided to the CCG health and wellbeing workstream.

RESOLVED that the presentation and discussion be noted and actioned where appropriate.

**CHW  
34/14**

### **Childhood Immunisation data**

The Group considered a report that provided an update on the 2013/14 childhood flu immunisation programme and made recommendations for maximising the uptake of the programme.

The report provided details of the vaccine uptake for 2013/14, which compared well with the uptake nationally, both for children in an at-risk group and children not in an at-risk group. A copy of the full Seasonal Influenza Vaccination Report 2013/14, covering all ages, was provided.

Details of what work was being undertaken to improve uptake and coverage was provided and this included:-

- working with the Council and voluntary organisations to raise awareness of all immunisation programmes with the local populations.
- working with all providers to ensure areas of low uptake was targeted.
- extension of the childhood flu programme to 4 year olds.

Details of governance arrangements relating to the programme were provided. It was explained that the programme was coordinated by the Immunisation and Screening Team and the Public Health Commissioning Team. The Durham, Darlington and Tees Screening and Immunisation Oversight Group had been set up to provide local oversight and assurances to the Directors of Public Health and other key stakeholders. The group's remit included reviewing the effectiveness of programmes in addressing inequalities and improving access for hard to reach groups, leadership for the reconfiguration of services, the review of performance and improving uptake. A copy of the terms of reference of the Oversight Group was provided. It was noted that the governance arrangements provided lots of levers to effect change. During discussion on the governance it was noted that TEWV did not have a regular attendee on the Flu Group. Councillor McCoy, who served on TEWV's Board of Governors, would look into this.

The Group briefly discussed problems relating to collecting, holding and sharing data.

Members noted that the vaccine was administered to children via a nasal spray

and this had proved very successful. Some pilot schemes were planned and if successful nasal sprays may be used for older children, subject to funding capacity.

It was agreed that organisations such as the Council and CCG had a role in helping to get a simple, consistent message across about the benefits of immunisation. It was noted that the Department of Health, NHS England and Public Health England were working on a communications strategy and this would be circulated to the Group.

It was agreed that a future update be brought to this Group highlighting the specific plans and work being undertaken to increase immunisation rates in vulnerable groups [or, if more appropriate, to the partnership, if established]. It was also suggested that a similar report should be submitted to the Adults Group/Partnership.

RESOLVED that the report be noted and a future update report be presented to this Group or the Partnership and to the Adults' Group / Partnership.

**CHW  
35/14**      **Health and Wellbeing Structures**

Members had previously received a verbal outline of proposals relating to Health and Wellbeing Governance. The Group was now provided with a report on the proposals to be considered by the Council at its next meeting.

Members were asked to provide any comments and raise any queries with Sarah Bowman or Michael Henderson.

RESOLVED that the report be noted and any comments or queries be raised with Sarah Bowman or Michael Henderson.

**CHW  
36/14**      **Forward Plan**

Members considered the Forward Plan.

RESOLVED that the Plan be agreed.

**CHW  
37/14**      **School Nursing**

The Group was provided with a report that had been presented at its last meeting but had not been considered due to that meeting becoming inquorate.

Members considered the report and its recommendations.

Reference was made to the safeguarding element of any future service and a pilot of new arrangements. The Group raised an issue about the involvement of neglect cases in the pilot. The wording in the report required clarification in this regard.

During discussion it was noted that there may be an opportunity for joint commissioning on an element of the service. This would depend on matching

the timescales, that the relevant commissioners were working to.

RESOLVED that:

1. the project proceeds to procurement.
2. the final name of the service be determined by the Director of Public Health.
3. the recommendation, contained in the report, relating to safeguarding be approved
- 3.further discussion, outside of the meeting, be undertaken to resolve any issues relating to complex needs and potential joint commissioning.
4. the proposal relating to weight management be accepted.