

Commissioning Update

1. Background

This report informs the Children's Trust Board of progress made in the promotion of services that have been commissioned to deliver the Early Intervention Strategy. The report also outlines the monitoring procedures to be used to monitor the performance of the commissioned services.

2. Promotion of Commissioned Services

To maximise the impact of the services commissioned by the EIG a number of approaches were adopted to ensure information of the services available was disseminated to partners, and other stakeholders. Approaches involved presentations, networking and the Council website.

Below is a list of different activities that have been adopted to advertise the opportunities available.

Method	Priority	Audience	How
Council Website	PA 1 & 2	Providers/ Professionals/Parents	Details of providers, service details, contact details and access requirements.
Teen Wirral	PA 2 & 3	Young People	Service details, hours of operation and contact details.
WASH	PA 1, 2 & 3	Secondary Head Teachers	Presentation and handouts.
Networking	PA 1, 2 & 3	Voluntary and Community and Faith sector	Email via link forum regarding service details, access requirements and contact details.
Team Meetings	PA 1, 2 & 3	Colleagues in District & Area Teams	Service details and referral requirements. Follow up support is offered to ensure referrals are appropriate.
Post 16 Providers Forum	PA 1, 2 & 3	Managers from colleges and training providers	Presentation and hand outs.
Primary Heads Forum (20 th September)	PA 1, 2 & 3	Primary Head Teachers	Presentation and handouts.
Staying Safe Strategy Group	PA 1, 2 & 3	Colleagues from Wirral Council and partner organisations.	Presentation and handouts.

3. Monitoring Procedures

A quarterly performance monitoring framework has been agreed with providers. Reports will be produced to include information on agreed performance measures relevant to each priority area.

Priority Area 1 (Parenting/ Compromised Parenting)

Priority Area 2 (Short Breaks for Disabled Children)

Priority Area 3 Risk taking Behaviour in Children and Young People).

Monitoring returns are to be completed by commissioned provider and to are to be returned to the nominated officer by the 15th of the month after the quarter. These returns will be compiled, along side other information to produce a full commissioning performance report. The first of which will be presented to the Trust Board on 22nd November 2011.

Performance reports will also be reported to the Every Child Matters Outcome Groups and the information will be shared for comment at the Children's Trust Joint Commissioning Group and the Children's Trust Executive. Any follow up actions are identified at these meetings will be reported to the Children's Trust Board. The table below outlines the performance monitoring timescales for the first reporting cycle.

DATE	ACTION	WHO
15 October	Agreed monitoring returns Submitted. PA1 & 3 - Marnie Clark PA2 – Dawn Tolcher	
22 October	Review of returns. Follow up actions identified.	Commissioners
29 October	Full evaluation. Report prepared.	Commissioners
17th October 1st November 22nd November	Strategy Leads for analysis at ECM Strategy Groups	M. Clark
	Comments to Children's Trust Executive	M. Clark
	Children's Trust J.C. Group	M.McDaid
	Children's Trust Executive	M.McDaid
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4. Recommendations:

Wirral Children's Trust Board notes the report.

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