

Children's Trust Board Monthly update - August 2011

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- Early Intervention and Prevention Plan. Karen Simmons, Head of Assess and Decide, NCC, presented proposals to the Board for the development of an Early Intervention and Prevention programme, which will be aligned to the key priorities in the Children and Young People's Plan. The joint conference between NSCB and Children's Trust Board in October will focus on this theme, and contribute to the refreshing of our approach to Early Intervention and Prevention, incorporating recent national policy. For more information please contact Karen.simmons@newcastle.gov.uk
- Information Sharing Protocol development. Karen Simmons, Head of Assess and Decide, NCC, shared proposals for an Information Sharing Governance Framework to cover the Children's Trust Board partnership. The protocol would not seek to replace existing information sharing protocols between partners, but rather provide a framework for these existing arrangements, bringing them together in one place. The proposed framework would support the programme of training currently being undertaken by the children's workforce by putting a clear structure around multi-agency information sharing practice and to provide consistent standards of information sharing in frontline service delivery. It is intended to establish a multi-agency Information Sharing group, which will aim to raise standards in information sharing activity in cross agency working, consider local implications of national requirements, agree joint procedures where appropriate and promote transparency of practice. For more information please contact Karen.simmons@newcastle.gov.uk
- Safe / Equal / Achieve Outcome groups. John Collings, Chair of Children's Trust Board and Executive Director of Children's Services, NCC, re-iterated the purpose, function, structure, and membership of the groups, which will play a crucial role in driving the work of the three priorities. The Children's Trust Board and Performance Management and Resource Group leads for each group are meeting, and the wider groups will be meeting soon. For more information please contact bridget.atkins@newcastle.gov.uk
- Children's Trust and Culture event. Ruth Rogan, Director of Strategic Partnerships, NCC introduced the planned joint culture and Children's Trust event, which is to be held on 21 September 2011. The event will offer an opportunity for partners to meet and explore how they may work together more closely. For more information please contact louise.appleby@newcastle.gov.uk