

Children and Young People who Sexually Harm

Progress Report to JCSMG 13.05.05

Background

Following previous agreements with JCSMG work has progressed to facilitate the introduction of a revised multi-agency procedure for the assessment and intervention with children and young people who sexually harm. This paper outlines issues requiring attention prior to implementation of this new procedure.

Training staff

Fundamental to the revised procedure is the agreement that assessments of these young people will now be carried out by identified staff in each locality who have undertaken the appropriate training. Following consultation with locality managers it was agreed 4 staff per locality would fulfil this function. It was also agreed that the team managers of these staff would receive a briefing on the assessment model to be used.

The following staff have now attended training on the 'AIM' model.

Social Workers (2 Day)

Broxtowe/Rushcliffe/ Gedling

Sue Bates (CST Gedling)
Martin Sleath (R&A Broxtowe)
Elaine Edwards (R&A Gedling/Rushcliffe)

Nominated but did not attend:
Di Lucas (R&A Gedling/ Rushcliffe)

Bassetlaw & Newark

Debbie Bendall (Newark)
Jo Wilde (CST Bassetlaw)
Lucy Walstow
Collette Williams

Mansfield & Ashfield

Daron Carey (CST Mansfield)
Suzie Cox (CST Ashfield)
Rachel Taylor (Rec/Assess)

Nominated but did not attend:
Amanda Ellis (Rec/Assess)

Children with Disabilities Team

Elizabeth Gilbert

Managers (1/2 Day)

Carole Peacock
Ann Wilton

Nominated but did not attend:
Bev Mundle

Sue Ryder (R&A, Newark)
Janet Smith (R&A, Bassetlaw)
Sue Rollin (CST Newark)
Tracy Marsh (CST Bassetlaw)

Milovan Orlandich (CST Mansfield)
Diana Bentley (R&A Ashfield)

Nominated but did not attend:
Phil Morris

Rachel Clawson

Outstanding Issues

- Confirmation within localities of expectations.
- Local agreement regarding cover issues i.e. capacity for cross team working to cover pressures created by absence, workload, lack of trained staff in appropriate team.
- Meeting future training needs.

Multi-agency Meetings

As outlined in the agreed practice guidance, multi-agency meetings will be held in relation to each child / young person thought to have engaged in sexually harmful behaviour. These meetings will be chaired by a Child Protection Coordinator and will be minuted. A rough estimate indicates 60 of these meetings will be held per year

Outstanding Issue

- Capacity within the child protection minuting team is very tight. Plans to meet this additional demand will need to be made as soon as possible. A contribution from the Y.O.S should be explored.

Practice Guidance

Practice guidance is nearing completion and will be available at the point the 'new system' goes live.

CAMHS

Work is underway to establish a clear threshold for the involvement of CAMHS Head 2 Head Service for this group of young people. A consultation service will also be offered.

ACPC Seminar

A seminar is planned to inform a wider multi-agency group of Nottinghamshire's approach to children and young people who sexually harm. It is hoped this will take place in early July.

Start Date

Subject to the resolution of any outstanding issues, the plan remains for a commencement date in late June 2005.

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