SOUTHERN AREA LOCALITY PLANNING GROUPS







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WELCOME

Welcome to Issue 121 of our fortnightly newsletter, 'FYI' (For Your Information).

It's that time again where we review and look at possible improvements for 'FYI' based on your feedback and ideas. Go straight to the <u>next page</u> to get involved and give us your feedback - Any ideas and queries you may have about 'FYI' can be made and we will act and respond to these accordingly. We want to make this resource as user-friendly and useful as possible to all.

<u>Pages 23 to 25</u> also give the chance to have your say on other key areas, whether it is about emotional wellbeing and mental health services for young people, or reviewing transitions services for young people and adults with a disability. Please have your say on these.

In between, we have the usual range of information, opportunities and resources across the Southern Area for children, young people, parents/caregivers and practitioners.

Locality Development Team, Southern Area

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'FYI' is now in its 5th year! - Doesn't time fly!

As always, we are very keen to obtain feedback on our newsletter and the impact it makes with yourselves and families in the Southern Area

Can you give a couple of minutes of your time and complete a short survey to help us review and improve this resource?

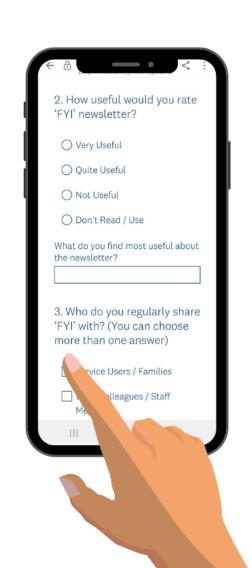
The survey is available to complete **HERE**

Deadline for survey returns is Thursday 28th March 2024

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank our LPG members and newsletter recipients for your continued support of 'FYI'

If you would like to discuss 'FYI' newsletter directly, please do not hesitate to contact us

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Joanne Patterson (localityplanning@ci-ni.org.uk)
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The February edition of the **Family Support Hub Newsletter** is now available HERE

(The newsletter will download directly to your device, so look out for the pop-up box and click on open file when it appears)

In this edition alongside lots of news and information about events and services we have an interview with Dr Theresa McShane, the Regional Co-ordinator for the Emotional Wellbeing in Schools project

It is also packed full of information for parents/carers, early years, children & young people with a disability, mental health and wellbeing advice, helplines and much more!

Previous editions of the newsletter are available <u>HERE</u> under the Family Support Newsletter section







Our funding restrictions are such that funded training is only available to those who work/volunteer for a voluntary, charitable, faith or community-based organisation

Children in Northern

Upcoming Training Courses

Designated Officer Training

Tues 12th March 10:00 - 16:00

Child Protection Practice

Weds 3rd April

09:30 - 12:30

Baby Massage Instructor training

(2 day course)

Fri 19th & Mon 22nd April

10:00 - 16:00

Gambling & **Gambling Harm Protection** Fri 15th March 09:30 - 12:30

Introduction to **Podcasting Tues 9th April** 09:30 - 12:30

Baby Yoga Instructor training (2 day course)

> Fri 17th & Mon 20th May

10:00 - 16:00



www.ci-ni.org.uk/training













TRAINING



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM

Would you like to join the Community Health Trainer Team?

This opportunity is for those living in the Southern Health & Social

Care Trust. See overleaf for course information



This programme is funded by NHS Charities together SHSCT as part of the Verve Healthy Living Network Project















What Is a Health Trainer?

An individual who has an interest in the health and wellbeing of the local community and with training and support their will focus on improving lifestyle related issues such as physical activity, smoking cessation, alcohol intake, mental health and diet.

They work alongside the Promoting Wellbeing Division of the Southern Health and Social Care Trust and local Community and Voluntary Organisations to improve the health and wellbeing of the community through

- group work
- one-to-one motivational support
- introducing people to local services

Training Opportunity

Gain the knowledge and skills to make a difference to the health and well-being of individuals living in your community by completing the Open College Network Health Facilitator Certificate (level 3) *

The programme involves

- 12 weeks full day sessions of practical and discussion based learning
- · Completion of a learning portfolio
- Development of skills and knowledge in community engagement, motivational interviewing and behaviour change
- Development of knowledge and practical skills to support individuals in making healthier choices

To find out more about the course please contact Paul Barton.

Social Prescribing Coordinator (SHSCT)

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* course is fully funded



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MOURISH TO FLOURISH

Training for you or your organisation



GIMME 5

Duration: 1-1.5hrs Participants: up to 35

An acitivity-based workshop created by the Southern Health and Social Care Trust, teaching the 5 Ways to Well-Being.

Key Themes: Connecting with others; Staying active; Taking notice; Learning; Giving



Building Personal Resilience

Duration: 1-1.5hrs Participants: up to 35

AGES TT People aged 11+ can benefit from the Gimme 5 workshop, and:

Group & inidividual learning on the qualities we need to cope, survive and thrive in challenging circumstances.

Key Themes: Positive relationships; Sense of purpose; Mindfulness; Self-awareness; Selfcare; Stress management

Every Mind Matters

Duration: 1-1.5hrs Participants: up to 35

Thinking about mental health in a proactive way; discussing stigma, the role it plays, & throughout our lives.

Key Themes: Mental and physical health; Breaking stigma cycle; Mental health continuum

B Positive Duration: 2.5-3hrs

Participants:up to 35

Understanding the issues affecting our mental health, & promoting positive mental health through group discussion and

Key Themes: Developing self-awareness; Building strong self-care plans; Breaking stigma cycle

People aged 15+ can benefit from all

safeTALK

Duration: 3-3.5hrs Participants: 10-30

Building skills & confidence necessary to recognise & assist individuals with thoughts of suicide.

Key Themes: Suicide awareness & intervention; Available resource awareness

Shoulder to Shoulder Duration: 1-1.5hrs

Participants: 6-30

A suicide alertness workshop aimed at community members, because suicide can affect us ALL and its prevention is EVERYBODY'S business.

Key Themes: Suicide awareness & intervention: Available resources awareness; Challenging stigma; Selfcare building



People aged 18+ can benefit from all

previous programmes, and: ASIST

Suitable for participants aged Duration: 16 hrs

Building skills & confidence necessary to recognise and intervene in suicide situations; achieving safety & connecting individuals with suitable

Key Themes: Suicide awareness & intervention; Talking at length with atrisk individuals; Available resource awareness



Contact us to book yours!

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An Tearmann Traveller Women's Group

Mental Health Coffee Morning

Wednesday 13th March

The Junction, Dungannon

10.30am - 12.30pm

Take care of yourself







Upcoming Events

Understanding Trauma Three-day short series on ACEs

19 - 21 March 2024

12pm - 1.30pm (GMT)

FREE to Members | £49.50 to Non-Members

SIMPLE Listening practices
Online Event

Tuesday 23rd April 2024 12pm - 1.30pm (BST)

FREE to Members | **£49.50** to Non-Members





Jane Shaw

















You are invited to an online event on plans to expand the Verve Network across all the Southern Trust area through NHS charities funding. The expansion will extend the Network's reach to allow even more people to benefit from the support and guidance of local organisations and dedicated health trainers.

The event will be held on:

Wednesday 20th March at 11.00 am to 12.00 noon - Online Microsoft Teams

or

Wednesday 27th March at 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm – Online Microsoft teams

You will hear first-hand from those involved in the current Verve Network in Craigavon the benefits of being a member hub, and the role and training included in becoming a Community Health Trainer.

To register for the information event, please RSVP by Tuesday 19th March:

https://forms.office.com/e/5MqjcJWs69?origin=lprLink

Please find attached some information regarding the programmes available in the Craigavon Area.

With Regards

Paul A. Barton

Social Prescribing Coordinator
Adult Community Services, SHSCT



THE ROLE OF LOCAL COMMUNITY ADVICE **SERVICES IN SUPPORTING FAMILIES AND YOUNG PEOPLE WORKSHOP**

This workshop will enable greater understanding of the role of advice services in supporting families and young people, and will focus on key benefits and entitlements, as well as advising and informing on significant changes within the welfare system, this includes.

- ·Grants and entitlements available for Families and Young People
- ·Move to Universal Credit
- ·The Two Child Limit
- ·Disability and Carers Benefits for Families

This is opportunity to ask questions at our Q&A session hosted by our experienced advisors.

Please RSVP to reserve a place

Wednesday 20th March 2024 9.30am -1pm The Junction, Dungannon

Kellie Murray kellie@advicenmd.com















A free online mental health awareness workshop for expectant parents and parents of young children (under 3 years of age) delivered by AWARE, the depression charity for Northern Ireland.

The workshop teaches you skills to:

- Look after your mental health
- Manage your feelings when you are stressed, anxious, or depressed
- How to identify mental ill-health
- Cope with challenges during and after pregnancy
- · How and where to get help

Course delivery:

Delivered online via Zoom Thursday 14th March 7-9pm Sign up online on our website:







Registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland with NIC100561 Company No. N.I. 30447





A free mental health awareness workshop for parents with neonatal experience delivered by AWARE NI, the depression charity for Northern Ireland.

The workshop teaches you skills to:

- Look after your mental health
- Manage your feelings when you are stressed, anxious, or depressed
- · How to identify mental ill-health
- Cope with challenges during and after pregnancy
- How and where to get help

Course delivery:

Delivered online via Zoom Wednesday 20th March 10.30am - 12.30pm Sign up online on our website:

mww.aware-ni.org/MMPB







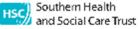
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WORKSHOPS







"Wee Brains Matter"
0-5 year old Brain Development

Free Online Session
Each Wednesday 9.30am-11.30am

Are you a Parent/Carer living in the Southern Trust Area?

Come join us to hear about how Brain Development may support understanding why:

- . The Parent Infant/Child Relationship Matters.
- Calming Strategies for both you and you infant/child.
- Having Fun together: Baby Talk, Tummy Time, Play and Activities.
- Managing big Emotions/Anxieties
- . Managing Routines and Boundaries

For further information or to book a place please contact mona.hanna@southerntrust.hscni.net / 07585889605 lisa.lenaghan@southerntrust.hscni.net / 07841970432







Understanding 5-11 year old Brain Development

Free Online Session

Last Thursday of each month 9.30am-11.30am

Are you a Parent/Carer living in the Southern Trust Area?

Come join us to hear about how Brain Development may support understanding of:

- How your Child's Brain Develops and responds Emotionally.
- Understand their Behaviour & Anxieties
- . Help your Child Communicate how they Feel.
- Learn Strategies/Resources to Support both you and your Child during this Developmental Stage.

For further information or to book a place please contact mona.hanna@southerntrust.hscni.net / 07585889605 lisa.lenaghan@southerntrust.hscni.net / 07841970432







Adolescent/Teenage Brain Development
Free Online Session 7- 9pm
Last Thursday Each Month
Commencing February 2024

Are you a Parent/Carer living in the Southern Trust Area?

Come join us to hear about how Brain Development may support understanding why:

- · Teenagers feel emotions/anxiety so intensely.
- Teenagers have difficulty reading faces, gestures and emotions of others.
- Why social acceptance and rejection by their peers matters
- . Why the conflict with Parents
- . Risk taking versus a time to take risks.
- Why their sleep pattern changes.

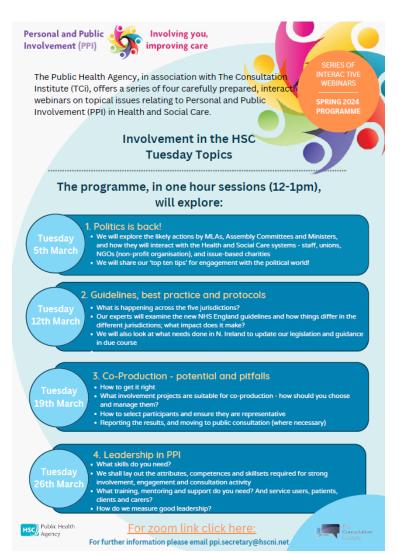
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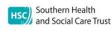
WEBINARS











Quality Care - for you, with you

Evidence based PARENTING SUPPORT PROGRAMMES

Giving every child the best start / opportunity in life



For information on these and other programmes available to families in the Southern Trust area visit our webpage:

www.cypsp.hscni.net/ebpp



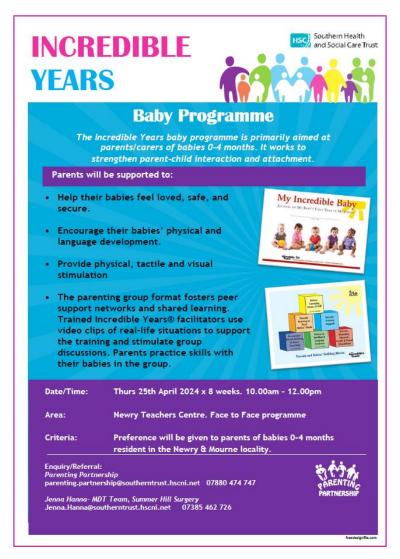
Further information is now available on the range of **evidence-based parenting programmes** available to families of children and young people

(pre birth to 18 year) living in the Southern Trust Area

Programmes are available for families of typically developing and children/young people with special needs and run from September to June Please note that multiple programmes may be advertised under one category Find out more <u>HERE</u>













EMPLOYABILITY



KICKSTART A **CAREER IN CUSTOMER SERVICE**

Course Dates: Tues 12th & Wed 13th March 2024 ocation: PT Centre, Weaver's Court, Belfast, BTI2 5GH Phone: 0800 842 842

Are you aged 16-30 and ready to work in customer service?

Come to our FREE two day course!

Day One - meet employers in the customer service sector and hear about their current job opportunities. Then receive employability support and interview training.

Day two - interviews from the employers you are most interested in.

Get in touch and Start Something today!



UK Government





Gaming.

Everyone starts somewhere.

Learn from industry experts,

get invaluable experience and

a taste of what it's like to work in

Prince's Trust

ON THIS COURSE YOU'LL:

- · Build and present your own 3D game
- . Examine the history of gaming
- · Learn about VR and multiplayer games
- · Have the opportunity to complete a Prince's Trust qualification

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Taster day: 19th March 10-11am(online) Course dates: 25th-28th March 10am-4pm Location: 8a Weavers Court, Belfast BT12 5GH Eligibility criteria: 16-30 not in full time employment, education or training







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outreachni@princes-trust.org.uk

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

progression

Welcome Sessions: During March Course dates: April 2024 **Location: Belfast** Eligibility criteria: 16-24, not in education or employment

• Take part in a range of activities

. Take part in 6 months of group work

Work on five key themes, including

and one-to-one sessions

good relations, personal

development, citizenship, employability, and positive



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The Prince's Trust supports young people to transform their lives by developing their skills to live, learn, and earn. We work with partners and volunteers to offer a variety of programmes to help young people build their confidence, get a job, or start a business.

Contact Us

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Foundations

Explore

Age: 16-30

Explore is a 6-week personal and social development programme. Designed to help improve confidence, work on personal and social skills, and a chance to reengage in something positive! There are a range of group activities and one-to-one support, as well as some Prince's Trust Qualifications, employability, and goal setting sessions.

Explore Plus

Age: 14-24

A six-month programme focusing on 5 key areas: personal development, good relations, citizenship, employability skills, and positive progression. Take part in a range of group activities and receive one-to-one support with the aim of becoming ready to look for work, education, training, or volunteering. There are also opportunities to gain Prince's Trust Qualifications.

Team

Age: 16-25

A 12-week personal development programme, giving young people the chance to gain new life and employability skills, work experience, and to meet new people. Young people will also take on a community project and take part in an action-packed residential trip.

Get Started

Age: 16-30

A week long specialised course on themes such as photography, beauty, gaming, and more! Gain practical experience, get support from professionals, and learn about working in the industry.

Work Ready

Get Into

Age: 16-30

An opportunity for young people to gain valuable work experience or gain the skills they need to start work. With top employers in retail, hospitality, and security giving opportunities for paid employment after the programme.

Get Hired

Age: 16-30

A two-day programme that accelerates young people into live job opportunities. The first day is sector-specific skills development, the second day is an opportunity to interview for roles.

Unlock Skills for Work

Age: 16-30

A two-day programme aimed to give young people a head start with their job search. During the course participants take part in a range of interactive workshops, including confidence building, interview advice, CV development, and looking after their wellheing.

Explore Enterprise

Age: 18-30

A four-day programme for young people interested in starting their own business. The course covers foundational learning in finance, marketing, business planning, and sales. After the course young people get two years of one-to-one support, mentoring, and can access grants to help launch their business.

Development Awards

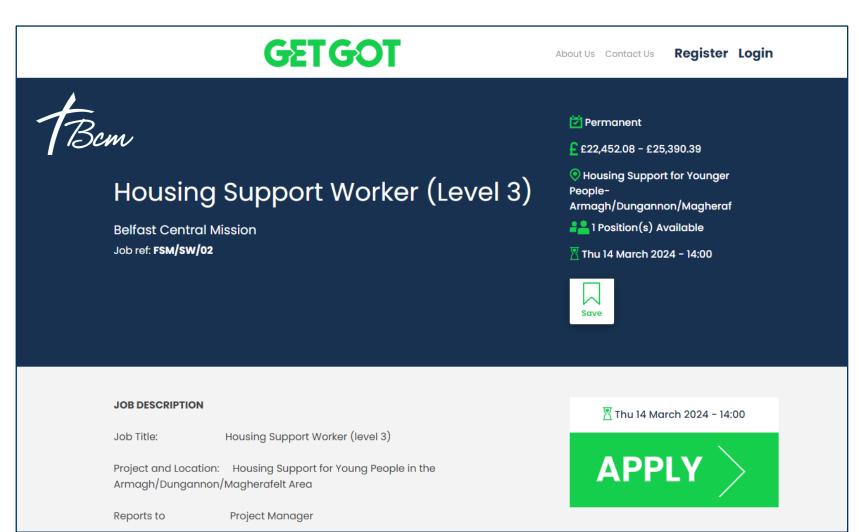
Age: 16-30

Grants to support young people to get back into education or employment, subject to availability. The awards can be put towards the cost of course fees, tools, or equipment to help young people achieve their goals.















Area Youth Worker 1 (Local Team) - Epicentre Youth Club (Job Reference: 24000703)

Primary Location : Armagh-Armagh-Epicentre Youth Club

Contract Type : Permanent

Duration of Contract/Contract End Date: N/A

Status : Full-Time

Hours per Week: 36 hours per week

Working Pattern: The successful candidate will be expected to work 4 evenings per week and regular weekends as and when required in line with

JNC terms

Grade/Scale: Area Youth Worker I | Professional Range Pts 18 - 21 | £32,021 - £34,522 per annum

Additional Allowance(s): Not Applicable

Anticipated Interview Date(s): 20 March 2024

Additional Information: N/A

JOB DESCRIPTION

REPORTS TO: Senior Youth Worker or Designated Youth Worker

RESPONSIBLE FOR: Occasional/shared responsibility for part-time /project staff

JOB PURPOSE

The Area Youth Worker 1 will have responsibility for the management of youth work programmes across the designated area, in line with EA policies.



https://eani.taleo.net/careersection/external/jobdetail.ftl







About Us -How to Apply ▼ Recent Awards Annual Reports

Children's Summer Playschemes Guidelines

Please read these guidelines in full and note all the requirements and exclusions even if you have received funding from us before. Time is valuable to us all and we would like you to avoid spending time on an application that will automatically be rejected if it doesn't fit within our guidelines.

Please note we only accept online application forms – see link below, under the 'Application Form' section.

The Trustees review applications in May. Specific deadlines for applications are posted on the Diary page of this website.

Each year the Trustees of the Woodward Charitable Trust set aside funds for summer playschemes for children from disadvantaged backgrounds between the ages of 5-16 years.



https://woodwardcharitabletrust.org.uk/childrens-summer





= www.kfc.co.uk/foundation-community-grants

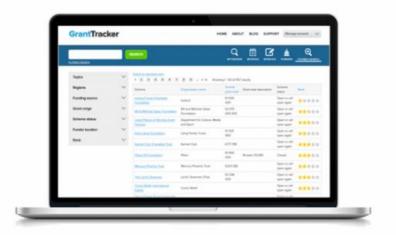




GrantTracker

Free for 1 year

apply by 31 March





www.grant-tracker.org



NICVA are delighted to announce that, thanks to funding from The Department for Communities, they can give FREE one-year subscriptions to GrantTracker, Northern Ireland's leading funding toolkit

GrantTracker will help you find funding schemes relevant to your projects, keep on top of deadline dates and co-ordinate your funding applications

The subscription normally costs £145 but, thanks to funding from the Department for Communities, they are able to provide this for free - but only until **31 March 2024**

So don't miss out on this opportunity - Sign up today!

There is a limit to the number of subscriptions we can fund, so submit the form found <u>HERE</u> as soon as possible







This survey is
Open until
14th March to the
Armagh, Down &
Tyrone Areas

You can complete
the survey as an
individual or
group/organisation
representative

CAWT cross border 'Early Intervention Support Youth Hubs' (EASY) Project: Your views

We would welcome your feedback on a proposed project submission by the Co-operation and Working Together (CAWT) Partnership to the new EU PEACEPLUS programme, under theme 4.1 – Collaborative Health and Social Care.

The 'Early Intervention Support Youth Hubs' (EASY) Project aims to establish a cross border and cross community network, to provide support and interventions to concerned parents / carers/ families with a child/children aged 1 to 17 years of age, presenting with behaviours consistent with neurodevelopmental type conditions such as Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), or who have been diagnosed with a neurodevelopmental disorder.

The reason for developing this project funding application

In the past two decades, the estimated prevalence of neurodevelopmental type conditions such as has ASD and ADHD has grown exponentially, with referral numbers for assessment & waiting lists rising year on year in both jurisdictions.

Thus, the project is proposing to:

Deliver interventions to a total of 10,000 children (aged 1 to 17 years old) and their families/carers, to access support services and avail of early interventions in the areas of:

- Targeted & tailored workshop series for Parents/Carers.
- Parent Programmes for Parents/Carers of Children either diagnosed with, or demonstrating behaviours consistent with neurodevelopmental type conditions, with a focus on Early Intervention.
- Bespoke supports for families such as home visiting programmes, short break respite, social activities / social skills programmes etc.
- Signposting families to appropriate help and support.



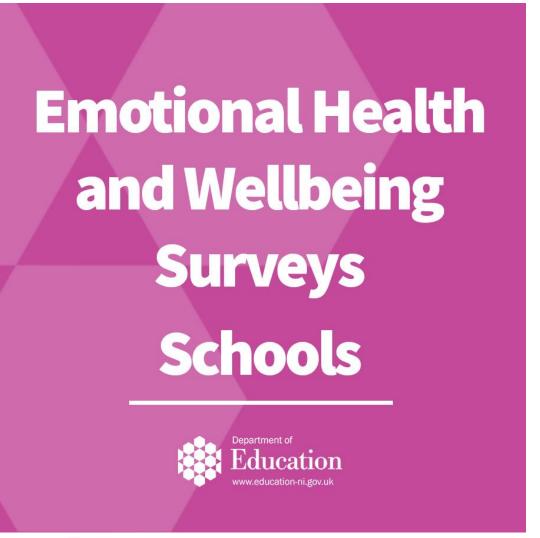






The survey will be open from 22/02/2024 to 21/03/2024

Only one survey should be completed for each school/setting









You can complete the survey as an individual or group/organisation representative



Enhancing Transitions Services for School Leavers with Special Educational Needs and **Disabilities: Public Survey**

Overview

Background

The End to End review of Special Educational Needs (SEN) aims to address existing gaps in provision and to explore a range of new delivery options to allow for systemic change to take place where necessary. As part of the End to End review process, the Department of Education in conjunction with the Department of Health has established a Working Group to focus on improving the experience of 'transition' for those children and young people that have a Statement of SEN, and/or a disability. This is inclusive of children who may remain in school until the end of the school year in which they reach 19 years of age, or they may move to a Further Education College, a training programme, employment, a Health Trust operated service, or other type of services deemed suitable for their needs. It is recognised that schools, the EA, Health Trusts and Careers Advisers are all involved in planning for a child's transition from education, and Working Group partners include representatives from the Department for Communities, Department for the Economy, the Education Authority, the Public Health Authority, and Health and Social Care.

Closes 13 Mar 2024

Opened 31 Jan 2024

Contact

Special Education Review Team 02891 858005

Transitionsurvey@education-ni.gov.uk







62,000

Northern Irish children in poverty are in 'work-constrained' families

Action for Children NI has released new research into how many children in Northern Ireland are impacted by poverty because their families face barriers to work

These barriers include: already working maximum hours available, managing caring responsibilities, or dealing with long-term health-condition/disability

Read more **HERE**









Career or care

Women, unpaid caring and employment in Northern Ireland



Report prepared for the Carer Poverty Commission NI by Carers NI and the Women's Regional Consortium

February 2024







Are you a trans, non-binary or gender diverse young person aged between 16-20?

MANGO

A 12-week 'Activism and Advocacy' programme

The future is yours to take!









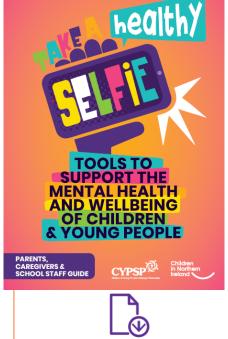


SCAN THE QR CODE
AND CHECK OUT
WHERE YOU CAN
GET SUPPORT &
ADVICE TO
KEEP WELL.





Poster



Parent,
Caregivers &
School Staff
Guide

"Take a Healthy Selfie" offers three resources to signpost young people, parents/caregivers, school and youth work staff to support services in the Southern Area Originating from the CYPSP Banbridge LPG, the aim was to work with young people to

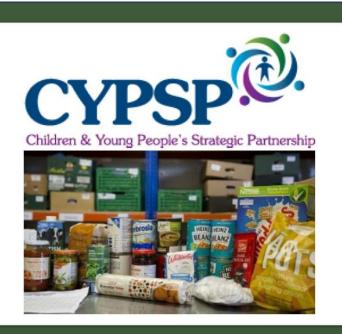
the aim was to work with young people to produce simple signposts to key quality-assured services and resources online

Young people from Futureproof, Crisis Café, New Bridge Integrated College and the Epicentre in the Southern area, advised on the themes, content and design for the resources, which are available in electronic form (Download links on this page) and paper copies

To order copies of this free resource, or to learn more obout this campaign, e-mail localityplanning@ci-ni.org.uk







Cost of Living Crisis Resource

A Guide to Locality Based Targeted Resources and Practical Support for Families and Children Struggling with the Current Cost of Living Crisis

This is a live document and will be updated on a regular basis

Updated February 2024

The information in this guide has been provided by services.

If you would like to include information about your service please email: louise.dickson@hscni.net

The **CYPSP Cost of Living Resource** has recently been updated and is now available to download <u>HERE</u>

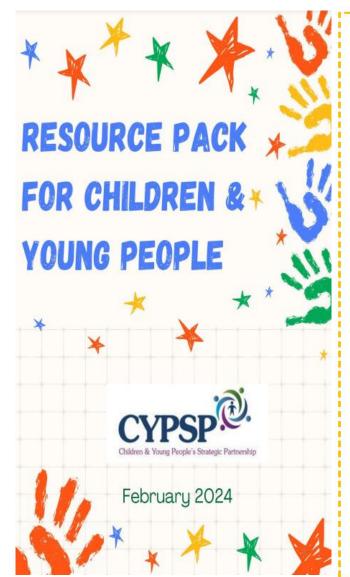
Please share this link widely with colleagues and with families you are supporting, as well as sharing the resource via social media

We have broken the document down by areas across each HSCT, for ease of reference and printing

E-mail <u>louise.dickson@hscni.net</u> if you would like to add your service, events or projects to the resource







For more resources and activities on disability, mental health, bereavement, education plus more, check out the previous edition of the Children and Young People's Resource Pack



Download here

Looking for activity ideas, disability information & groups and resources to support your mental health?

Download February's Edition of the Children & Young People's Resource Pack HERE

Resources and activities are free and in the public domain

Please share with contacts who you think would find it useful

For more resources and activities on disability, mental health, bereavement, education plus more, check out the previous edition of the Children and Young People's Resource Pack <u>HERE</u>















PARENTLINE BLOG

Calling all parents with a story to tell!

Would you like to write a piece for the Parentline Blog?

Get in touch with your name, contact details and a brief blurb about your parenting experience or topic you'd like to contribute.



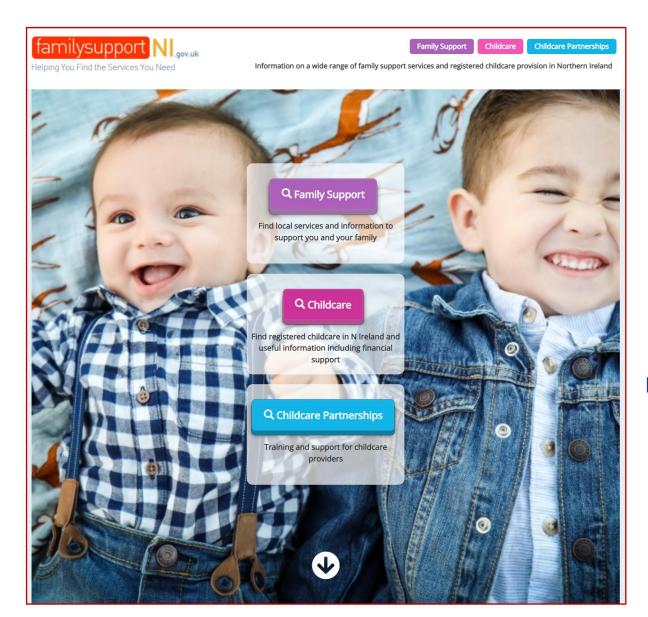
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www.ci-ni.org.uk/parentline









Check out the **Family Support NI** website <u>HERE</u>

A useful up-to-date online directory making it easier for people in NI to find out about **family support services** and **ALL REGISTERED childcare providers** in NI

If you require any more information about the website or would like some leaflets / posters, call 0845 600 6483

Watch the **promotional animation clip** outlining the functions / benefits of the website HERE

If you provide a family support service in Northern Ireland and would like **details of your organisation / service included** on the Family Support NI website, click <u>HERE</u> to complete a short questionnaire and return the form to info@familysupportni.gov.uk







There Are 3 Family Support Hubs
In the Southern Trust Area

ARMAGH & DUNGANNON HUB

Pat McGeough Young People's Partnership Barnardos 39A Abbey Street, Armagh BT61 7DY T: 028 37522380 E: familysupporthub@barnardos.org.uk

CRAIGAVON & BANBRIDGE HUB

Lisa Grant
NIACRO
26 Carleton Street, Portadown Co. Armagh
BT62 3EP
T: 028 38331168
E: familysupporthub@niacro.co.uk

NEWRY & MOURNE HUB

Allison Slater SPACE 24 Monaghan Street, Newry BT35 6AA T: 028 30835764 E: familysupporthub@space-ni.com

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The 3 **Family Support Hubs** in the Southern Area continue to operate as normal and are open for referrals

Please make any referrals by e-mail HERE

Download the **February edition** of the **Family Support Hubs newsletter** <u>HERE</u>

Click on the below thumbnail to watch the Southern Area Family Support Hub promotional video









Verve Community Health Trainers

RESOURCE FOR REFERRAL AGENTS

The Verve Community Health Trainers are trained to level 3 in the Community Health Facilitator/Community Health Trainer qualification. They also complete additional training in the areas of food and nutrition, physical activity, mental health awareness, and additional topics such as sleep, managing pain, brief interventions for smoking and alcohol, and loneliness to equip them in supporting others in their role.

One to One Health Coaching and Social Prescribing

Our Community Health Trainers offer free, confidential one-to-one support and guidance with the aim of helping local people to make manageable and sustainable lifestyle changes that will result in improving health outcomes for the individual. Connecting people to activities that will further support their goals is also a key part of their role.

Health Trainer one to one sessions:

Approximately 6 sessions are arranged with the client over a twelve week period of time, offering person centred behaviour change support through: goal setting, motivational interviewing, advice, support and signposting to resources, community activities and other relevant services. Sessions are conversation based and clients work on their goals independently between their sessions. Below highlights the 4 topics Health Trainers cover and resources clients might expect to use:

Healthy eating

- / Discuss the benefits of making healthy food choices
- / Eatwell guide: discuss food groups, balanced meals/ snacks
- Reading food labels: portion sizes, traffic light system
- Making healthier swaps, recipe ideas
- Keeping a food diary, exploring food choices

Finding new ways to be more active

- Discuss the benefits of being active
- Provide client centred physical activity guidance
 Raise awareness of CMO physical activity guidance
- Keeping an activity diary
- Discuss barriers to being physically active
- Signpost to physical activity options in the community





Reducing your alcohol intake

- Alcohol Audit-C completed and brief advice provided
- Discuss government quidelines on alcohol consumption
- Understand alcohol and health
- Tips on cutting down
- Use the Drugs and Alcohol NI resources to reinforce messaging
- Signpost to commissioned drugs and alcohol support services



Supporting people to improve their mental and emotional wellbeing

- Help clients build the Take Five Steps to Wellbeing into their daily life Understand client interests, hobbies, any activities or hobbies
- previously enjoyed
- Signpost to activities (online and in person)
- For clients with more complex needs, we might refer to other services.



Community Health Trainer Programmes

Our Health Trainer team also facilitate a range of group programmes throughout the Verve Healthy Living Network and in local community venues. These programmes include:

- Community Strength and Balance
- Community Gym
- Better Days Pain Support Programme
- Nutrition Programmes, such as Cookit!, Food Values and Transform Your Trolley

One to one clients who would benefit will be linked into these programmes where appropriate. Our referral form also provides you with the option of connecting an individual directly to one of these programmes if a group programme is their preference.

How to refer to the Verve Health Trainers service?

The easiest way is to directly refer a client or ask a client to refer themselves by opening the referral form online

Or you can request a copy of the referral form by emailing: verve.network@southerntrust.hscni.net

As a referral agent it is important that you explain the Verve Community Health Trainer Service sufficiently to the individual you are referring, so that fully informed consent is received. It is also useful if you can assess motivation to engage in the programme of support before completing vour referral.

The Health Trainer service animation, which is also on the Verve website may also be useful in explaining what the service entails and how it can help and support those engaged.

What happens once we receive your referral?

Once we receive your referral we will contact the individual by letter or email to let them know that their referral has been received by the Community Health Trainer Team.

This communication will also invite the individual referred to contact the referral administrator to confirm that they wish to engage with the service.

We will let you know if the person you have referred has engaged.

If you have any further questions about the service provided please contact us at verve.network@southerntrust.hscni.net







Health benefits of breastfeeding



- your breast milk is perfectly designed for your baby
- breast milk protects your baby from various infections and diseases
- breast milk is available whenever your baby needs it
- breastfeeding can build a strong emotional bond between you and your baby

For more info see www.breastfedbabies.org



Breastfeeding has many potential benefits for mothers including protection from illnesses as well as saving money and being environmentally friendly

For more information on the benefits of breastfeeding or to find out how you can support a breastfeeding mum, visit <u>HERE</u>











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Trasna House. Connolly Place, Lurgan, **BT668DN**

1.30pm - 4.30pm

- Information & Signposting
- Opportunities for involvement
- Peer-Led Support & Services

Wednesday 6th Mar 2024 Wednesday 3rd Apr 2024 Wednesday 1st May 2024 Wednesday 5th Jun 2024 Wednesday 3rd Jul 2024 Wednesday 7th Aug 2024

Contact: Elaine on 078 7626 1033 www.thementalhealthforum.co.uk or find us on MH Staff SharePoint







Armagh City, Banbridge & Craigavon Borough Council is offering financial assistance to eligible groups in the voluntary, community and social enterprise sector for Capital projects 2024/2025.

Large Capital Project Fund 2024/2025

Opens for applications at 9.00am on Monday 26 February and closes at 12 noon on Friday 8 November 2024, or when the budget is committed, whichever comes first.

Small Capital Project Fund 2024/2025

Opens for applications at 9.00am on Monday 26 February and closes at 12 noon on Friday 12 April 2024.

Projects must not commence before 1 April 2024.

Groups wishing to be notified of future funding opportunities and other relevant information should request their details be added to the Council database by emailing @ fap@ armaghbanbridgecraigavon. gov.uk

Further information including details of how to apply can be found at

funding.armaghbanbridge craigavon.gov.uk

First point of contact is Valerie Armstrong 07515 607 480

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Have you a project idea?

Are you seeking revenue funding or small capital equipment costs?

Would you be interested in a grant search for your community group?

Armagh City, Banbridge & Craigavon Borough Council has access to the GrantFinder system which is a leading grants database with various funding opportunities and can undertake a search of the system on your behalf which will provide a tailored report detailing

To complete the search, some group and project details will be required which will be gathered from you by email or phone

funding opportunities specific to your needs



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https://getactiveabc.com/hw_programs/community-engagement-mugas/

























NEWRY & MOURNE LPG AREA











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✓ Information will usually be		(We are not perfect, but strive
included for x1 edition, unless		to be as good as we can.)
otherwise requested.		✓ Please let us know if 'FYI' has
		helped your service, event or
		activity in any way.



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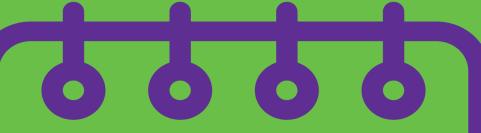












UPCOMING 2024 LPG MEETINGS

Tues. 12th Mar. **South Armagh** Dungannon Tues. 19th Mar. Banbridge Wed. 27th Mar. **Newry & Mourne** Wed. 10th Apr.

Thur. 2nd May Armagh

Craigavon Tues. 7th May

Meetings are usually scheduled to begin at 10am

Formats will alternate between face-to-face & Zoom

(Refer to the 2024 Meetings Calendar on our Linktree)





ACCESS TO OUR INFO. HUB









For further information on Locality Planning or 'FYI', contact: Joanne Patterson (<u>localityplanning@ci-ni.org.uk</u>) or Darren Curtis (<u>07725232566</u>) CYPSP, 2nd Floor, Health & Social Care Board, Tower Hill, Armagh. BT61 9DR







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