



Caerphilly Public Services Board Well-being Plan Performance Report

7 monthly report Oct 2021 – April 2022

Action Area AA1

Best Start in Life

Positive Change—embedding prevention into all that we do

Positive Start—providing the Best start in life for current and future generations

Positive People—securing the best outcomes for current and future generations

Positive Places—supporting more resilient communities, prosperous economies and stronger societies by reducing inequalities.

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Performance Levels

Performance measures where identifiable	Is there a risk this will not be achieved?
Have we achieved our Logic model – What will success look like ?	No
How will we know we are making a difference? What Matters to families	No
Upskill all staff, across partner agencies, to deliver interventions focused on the needs of the families	No

Quantifiable measures	Is there a risk this will not be achieved?
Evaluation of Early Years Integration Pilot(s)	No
Reduction in the number of children on the Child Protection Register / Looked After or under a Care And Support Plan	Yes risk of initial increase due to impact of the pandemic then decrease over time
Improvement in school readiness	No
A reduction in children/young people requiring mental health support	Yes risk of initial increase due to impact of the pandemic then decrease over time
Improved Public Health outcomes	No

Evidence

Priority	Comment
Develop a Whole Systems Approach— To develop joined up and responsive Early Years’ services to ensure every child has the best start in life. Children should be at the centre of excellent, integrated services that put their needs first, regardless of traditional organisational and professional structures (Antenatal–age 7).	Working as a regional steering group including the 5 LA and ABUHB we have developed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Midwifery and Early Years Strategy • Midwifery and Early Years Core Programme integrating the operational delivery • Task groups to develop the communication plan, workforce development plan and the Gwent Information Sharing Protocol • Looked to cohesively plan the expansion of Flying Start programme Phase 1 for Sept 2022 and Phase 2 for April 2023 • All LA are looking at how they can bring the funding streams together locally to integrate teams and enable support to a wider reach of families based on need instead of postcode. All LA recognise they are at different points in this progress

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	<p>The teams now include health visiting and local authority teams and are beginning to include the midwives, which is beginning to improve communication and support for families.</p> <p>Midwifery is developing an electronic app for pregnant women to have access to their notes and relevant information throughout their pregnancy. The 5 LA have developed their input so that there will be a regional integrated LA and ABUHB approach when the app goes live.</p>

Key Tasks

Ref	Task	Progress
1	<p>Gwent Midwifery and Early Years Strategy and then development of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication Plan • Workforce Development Plan 	<p>The Strategy has been completed and is going to regional steering group for sign off on Monday 13th June.</p> <p>The task groups to develop a regional multiagency communication plan and workforce development plan will be set up during June.</p>
2	Midwifery and Early Years Core Programme	<p>The Midwifery and Early Years Core programme has been developed to include all key contacts required during the antenatal and early years period by midwifery, health, and education. However, it has been developed as an integrated plan of support from a multiagency core team who work with the families building consistent trusted relationships and delivering support based on needs not postcodes.</p>
3	Data analysis and reporting and evaluation	<p>The LSOA data set needed has been agreed as a regional group and ABUHB Performance Manager is working with Cypris team to develop the reports able to retrieve the data.</p> <p>The data and outcome measures workshop is planned for Monday 11th July.</p>

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		<p>Evaluation will be completed in monthly workshops with Vanguard to ensure objective evaluation of the system change and implementation.</p> <p>Evaluation of outcome measures and individual family stories will be commissioned and developed in 2022-23</p>
4	Shared database across multiagency and multidisciplinary teams	<p>The shared database is being developed in BG using WCCIS in the pilot area. This is proving interesting and may support wider implementation in the health visiting and early years teams for the whole of the region during 2022-24.</p> <p>As an interim measure Caerphilly LA have developed a shared chronology for children actively being supported with interventions so multidisciplinary and multiagency input into the record enabling better up-to-date sharing of information to support the family and not needing the family to repeat their story.</p> <p>ABUHB and Caerphilly CBC have developed online information tools to give families easy access to right information and support to meet their needs at the right time. This will complement Midwifery Notes which is an app for families in the antenatal period which also provides the right information straight to the mother's phone at the right stage. This app aims to go live in 2022-23.</p>

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5	Recognise the importance of the third sector and support the restart of community based support	The Hierarchy of Support focuses on family strengths, community network and support and only then moves to use early years team resource and then specialist support if needed. This approach empowers communities and families and builds their resilience. The Bridging Together group in St James are developing their own parent and toddler and peer support groups. Parent Network are supporting families/communities to set up their own parent and toddler sessions. This voluntary sector community support is building sustainable provision back into communities although it does take more time to set up and develop than staff run activity.

Conclusion

There continue to be challenges around recruitment and retention of staff across the region and throughout many teams although most vacancies in Caerphilly should be filled by Sept 2022.

There is now a central health visiting contact line for ABUHB across Gwent and a central contact for Caerphilly Early Years Hub for families to access support when they need it antenatal to 7years.

ABUHB has developed an app for families to easily access health support and information alongside the Midwifery Notes (Badgernet) app for the antenatal period. Caerphilly LA has developed the Early Years and Childcare website which links to the resources in ABUHB and WG Parenting Give it Time as well as other reputable online sources.

Caerphilly CBC has progressed well to bring different funding streams together enabling families to access the right support to meet their needs at the right time regardless of where they live. This has been necessary to meet the increasing needs of families across the borough.



Communities are starting to coproduce community peer support groups for social contacts and release staff (who would have previously delivered the groups) to do more intense work with more vulnerable families.

The Strategy which includes the principles we have signed up to as a regional strategic steering group have shaped the development of future provision and commissioning as opportunities arise, including the development of Flying Start Phase 1 expansion and joint funding / development opportunities.

Contribution to the 7 Well-being Goals: A prosperous Wales, A resilient Wales, A healthier Wales, A more equal Wales, A Wales of cohesive communities, A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language, A globally responsible Wales.