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Summary

The team continues to review existing processes to ensure that they are as streamlined as possible. The team has received training on the Local Authority's IT system Frameworki and continues to work in close partnership with both the Local Authority and the CCG. Continual involvement of children and young people in obtaining their views about their health assessments. (See Appendix 1)

Targets

The team are meeting targets set within the agreed service specification during set up of the service.

Month	Target For IHA's 80%	Target for RHA's 75%
October	100%	100%
November	100%	100%
December	100%	100%

Local Authority

The team continues to spend 1 day per week in the Local Authority based within social care. Weekly meetings are held with team managers to monitor health assessments. The specialist nurse for CLA is available for social workers who want to discuss individual cases.

Staffing

We have successfully recruited a band 4 administrator this is due to additional funding given from the Local Authority and the CCG, who is due to start in February.

Our Designated Doctor has retired and recruitment to this post has been unsuccessful and we are currently in the process of readvertising. As a result of not having a Designated Doctor we have produced a mitigation report which has been discussed with the Local Authority and the CCG and we have discussed the fact that we are likely to breach our health assessment targets in January and February. To reduce the breaches we are currently running joint DR/Nurse clinics.

CCG

Monitoring meetings continue and the CLA service has now been removed from the Harrow CCG risk register.

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Work Undertaken

Our bid for £500 for a TB grant from Voluntary Action Harrow Co-operative was successful. We are currently working with UASC in the development of a leaflet to explain what TB is, the screening process and treatment. We are also working with the TB Paediatric Nurses, Local Authority and the CCG to implement a new TB screening process for all of our UASC.

Working with the Local Authority to separate the fostering and adoption panel to enable the Designated Nurse to sit on the fostering panel and the Designated Doctor to sit on the adoption panel.

Specialist Nurse CLA and GPWSI (GP with special interest) observed fostering and adoption panel.

Specialist Nurse CLA changed the agenda for the MASE panel to highlight CLA.

Attendance at the children at risk panel and now the minutes are circulated to our team.

Visit from Swedish School Nurses interested in our work with UASC and CLA.

Attendance and presentation at the care leaver forum where 40+ care leavers were present.

Joint working with YOT who attended a young person's initial health assessment.
Monthly meetings with YOT to discuss the health needs of children/young people under YOT.

Attendance at strategy meetings.

Attendance at professionals meetings.

Joint home visits with Designated Doctor and Specialist Nurse CLA.

Attendance at serious case review findings.

Meeting with sexual health outreach nurse.

Meeting with Gangs Co-ordinator.

Specialist Nurse for CLA attended FGM study day arranged by the HSCB.

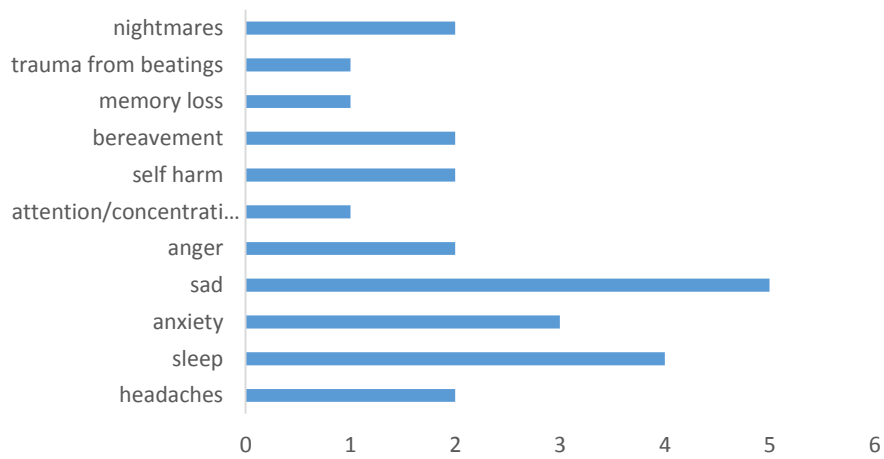
UASC

We have currently undertaken 20 health assessments for our UASC.

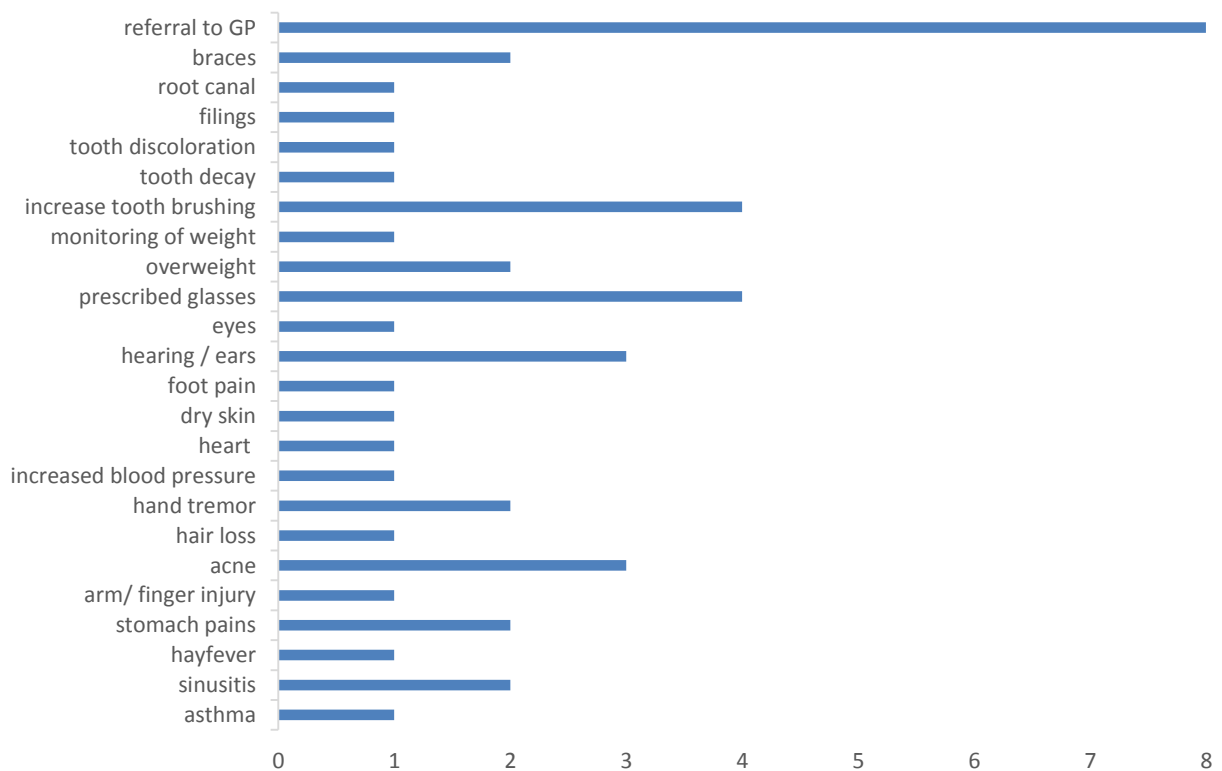
The countries of origin include Syria, Iran, Iraq, Sudan, Albania, Vietnam, Morocco, Saudi Arabia and Afghanistan which has had the highest number of UASC's (8 out of 20).

We have been gathering data about the health needs of our UASC's who live both in the borough of Harrow and those outside the borough of Harrow.

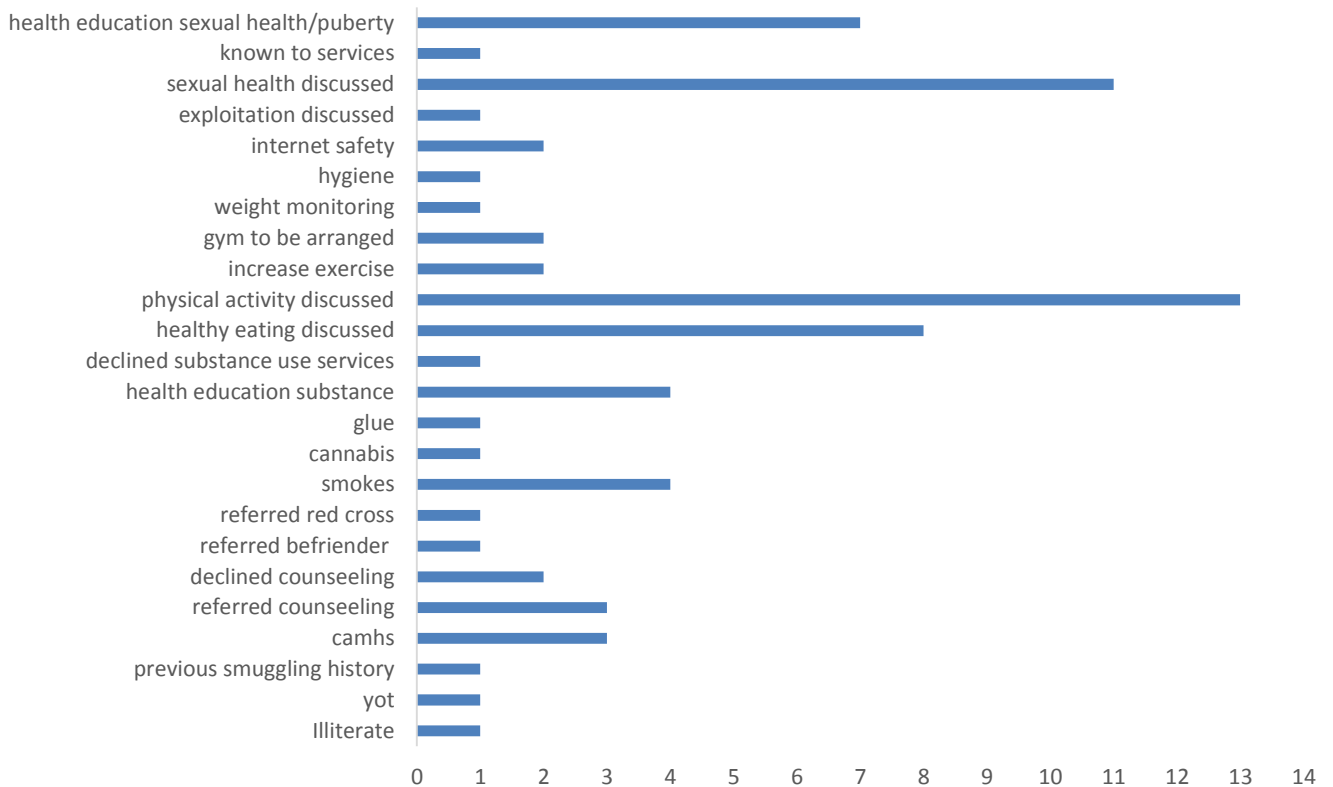
EMOTIONAL HEALTH NEEDS



PHYSICAL HEALTH NEEDS



HEALTH PROMOTION/OTHER HEALTH NEEDS



Future Plans

We are working with the Local Authority regarding changes to consent forms, reviewing the SDQ (strengths and difficulties questionnaire) process and creating a time line for health passports for care leavers. We have a meeting arranged for January.

We are currently gathering health information about our Harrow CLA population. (See appendix 2)

We are arranging a date to meet the children's participation officer and beyond limits.

We are in the process of designing a client satisfaction audit.

Report by Emma Hedley – Designated Nurse For Children Looked After Harrow, CNWL.
January 2016

Appendix 1

Comments from UASC, CLA, Care Leavers and Carers

It's a good service both Doctor and Nurse were polite and kind explained things clearly. (16)

I feel happy because I'm all fine. (8)

I thought this health assessment was really useful because I was able to talk what I wanted to and get help with little problems that I am not sure about. Also it enables me to talk about my health problems physically and emotionally. This health assessment was really useful. (11)

I think it is useful help and safety, it is really good. (8)

It was fun and very easy and got good advice. (11)

The Doctor and Nurse arrived on time they explained to the children the reason for the assessment. The home visit was very helpful. (Carer)

I felt really relaxed with Laurie and so did my son. She was warm and friendly and offered support if needed. (Carer)

As a carer I feel very informed. During the visit I received good advice which I believe will aid me in the upbringing of my child. The visit was not too long or too short... just right and I am grateful for the time spent discussing the healthcare of my child. (Carer)

Appendix 2

October 2015	IHA (14)		RHA (5)	
Registered with a GP	14	100%	5	100%
Registered with a dentist	10 out of 12	83%	4 out of 4	100%
Up to date dental check	8 out of 12	67%	4 out of 4	100%
Registered with optician	9 out of 12	75%	3 out of 3	100%
Up to date eye test	8 out of 12	67%	3 out of 3	100%
Up to date immunisations	5 out of 13	38%	4 out of 5	80%

November 2015	IHA (8)		RHA (13)	
Registered with a GP	5 out of 7	71%	13	100%
Registered with a dentist	2 out of 4	50%	10 out of 10	100%
Up to date dental check	2 out of 4	50%	8 out of 10	80%
Registered with optician	1 out of 3	33%	8 out of 8	100%
Up to date eye test	1 out of 3	33%	8 out of 8	80%
Up to date immunisations	2 out of 4	50%	7 out of 13	54%

December 2015	IHA (9)		RHA (9)	
Registered with a GP	9 out of 9	100%	8 out of 8	100%
Registered with a dentist	2 out of 6	33%	8 out of 8	100%
Up to date dental check	2 out of 6	33%	7 out of 8	88%
Registered with optician	2 out of 6	33%	6 out of 6	100%
Up to date eye test	2 out of 6	33%	5 out of 6	83%
Up to date immunisations	6 out of 6	100%	2 out of 8	25%

Where it is written 'out of' this is because some children are too young to register with a dentist/optician.

Up to date immunisations – consider unaccompanied asylum seeking children, out of borough children, parental refusal and incomplete records.

Consider out of borough children.

Consider sibling groups.

All children referred to GP to complete outstanding immunisations.

Liaison with GP's for all children with incomplete immunisation history.

All children in process of booking dental and optician checks.

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