

REPORT FOR: Corporate Parenting

**Panel** 

**Date of Meeting:** 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2021

Subject: Information Report – Harrow Children

Looked After (CLA) Health Report

**Key Decision:** No

Responsible Officer: Claire Eves, Associate Director of

**Outer London Services** 

Portfolio Holder: Councillor Christine Robson, Portfolio

Holder for Children, Young People and

Schools

Exempt: No

**Decision subject to** 

Call-in:

No

Wards affected: None - This is an Information report

**Enclosures:** None

# **Section 1 – Summary and Recommendations**

**RECOMMENDATION**: Corporate Parenting is requested to note the report

**Reason for Recommendation:** This report sets out the delivery of health services to Harrow's Children Looked After (CLA) during April – August 2020 in line with the national guidance. The report reviews the service and includes clinical work undertaken during the Covid-19 pandemic.



## Section 2 – Report

# Report for Corporate Parenting Panel – Harrow Children Looked After (CLA) Health Service February 2021

## Initial Health Assessment (IHA) and Review Health Assessment (RHA) Activity

| Month     | Target for | Target for | Number seen in |           |
|-----------|------------|------------|----------------|-----------|
|           | IHA 100%   | RHA 100%   | timescales     |           |
|           | CNWL*      | CNWL*      |                |           |
| September | 100%       | 100%       | 71% IHA        | 72 % RHA  |
| October   | 100%       | 100%       | 100% IHA       | 100% RHA  |
| November  | 100%       | 100%       | 75% IHA        | 94% RHA   |
| December  | 100%       | 100%       | 100 % IHA      | 100 % RHA |

<sup>\*</sup> excludes requests and consent not made available within 3 days for IHA's and within 3 months for RHA's, CLA who do not attend or refuse appointments given, CLA placed out of Harrow who depend upon another provider to offer an appointment.

#### **Training**

The Named Nurse attended the Child Trafficking, Modern Slavery and Exploitation training delivered by ECPAT.

The Named Nurse attended Sex Pressures and Social Media Training via Webinar.

The Specialist Nurse for CLA attended the Information Sharing Workshop.

The Harrow CLA health team delivered training to the Designated Teachers, Support Staff and Practitioners Group.

## **Meetings**

The Harrow CLA health team continue to attend MASE.

The CLA health team have attended strategy meetings and a discharge CPA meeting for complex and vulnerable young people.

The Named Nurse initiated a meeting with Dr Schroeder from Expert Self Care and the Head of Harrow Children's Services to explore developing a digital Health passport.

The CLA health team attended individual Child Protection Supervision.

The CLA health team have met regularly with Harrow business support to carry out monitoring meetings.

The CLA health team have attended team meetings both in the CLA and CIN team to raise staff awareness of the CLA health team and address any challenges arising.

Quarterly meetings with Harrow CCG and Harrow Council continue.







#### **Team News**

Dr Bina Chauhan has returned from maternity leave.

Laurie Ward has retired and returned to the CLA team part time. The CLA health team have successfully recruited to the post and Susan Pedzisai will be joining the team on the 28<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

#### **New Processes**

Initial health assessments are being triaged in response to the Covid pandemic. Assessments are completed either face to face, virtual or telephone on a case by case basis. Review health assessment are being offered face to face appointments. However, if declined they are being completed either by telephone or virtual.

#### Voice of the Child

1 YP is currently in a Mental Health Unit and 1 YP is currently in a specialist residential home for YP with ongoing complex mental health needs and associated behaviours.

### **Case Study**

This case study shows the importance of the CLA health team in organising liaison between Multi agency professionals in ensuring continuity of health Care for a YP with a complex medical history who required an emergency Placement change in December 2020.

12-year-old girl who is placed with a long-term Carer in Suffolk.

Complex medical history which includes:

Juvenile Arthritis: requiring weekly injections

Post-traumatic stress

Self-harm

Email received from Social Worker informing us that notice had been given by Carer due to YP behaviour and Carers ill health.

An emergency placement has been found in Harrow.

#### Action by CLA nurse

- 1. Contact made with the Harrow Paediatric Community Nurses by phone to inform them of the imminent move. (YP previously treated 2 years previously)
- 2. Contact was made with the Suffolk Paediatric Nurses by phone to give them our contact details and that of the Harrow team.
- 3. Emails sent to give our details and Social worker to both teams.
- 4. Contact was made by phone to Carer to advise her to register YP with GP as soon as she is arrived in placement.
- 5. The CLA health team copied into emails from Paediatrician which ensured that all health professionals were ready to provide continuity of treatment.
- 6. The Carer took the young person to the Rheumatology Clinic appointment in Suffolk
- 7. The RHA had been requested for completion in Suffolk, this was cancelled and brought forward to allow YP to have this in Harrow.
- 8. Continued contact with Carer.
- 9. RHA was completed. The young person remembered the Specialist CLA nurse as she had previously completed this prior to her move to Suffolk.

Liaison will need to continue as YP will be changing Placement again as soon when one is found.







Christine Nichols Named Nurse for Children Looked After 05th January 2021.

# **Section 3 - Statutory Officer Clearance**

Not applicable – for information only

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| MANDATORY  |       |   |
| Ward Councillors notified:   |       | NO, this is an information report only          |
| EqIA carried out:  |       | NO  |
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# **Section 4 - Contact Details and Background Papers**

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**Background Papers:** N/A

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