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Learning from quality assurance group. A shared story, language and understanding

A shared understanding of Multi-agency use of ECINS to manage cases including shared assessments, plans and consent

Opportunity to prioritise the family with multiple problems who are the most concern

Early Help Partnership Meetings

Practitioners and Families work together to ‘one’ family plan. Joint ownership of outcomes with the family and partners – using the Strengthening Families Outcomes Plan to measure success. Early Help Social Workers can be invited to attend these meetings.

Strengthening Families Complex Multi-agency meetings

Being clear about the families’ level of need. Bringing together partners to find creative solutions ensuring the voice of the family is heard and acted on. Likely to involve relevant representation from social work. (Practitioner only)

Partnership Plus Meetings

Working together to ensure the right service is delivered by the right people, at the right time. Can include Early Help Social Worker (Practitioner only)

Family Group Conferencing or Family Meetings

**Shropshire Safer Stronger Partnership**

Tackling crime is a partnership matter, with key local organisations working together to achieve a shared strategy. This approach recognises that both the causes of crime and disorder, and the interventions required to deliver safe and secure communities, lie with a range of organisations, groups and individuals working in partnership. The Shropshire Safer Stronger Partnership promotes the practice of partnership working to reduce crime and disorder.

**Shropshire Children and Young People’s Trust**

The Children’s Trust is a partnership group that works across organisations to ensure the implementation and provision of improved and better joined up services and support for children and families. The key focus of the group is to add value to service delivery through partnership working; to enable more efficient service delivery, whilst keeping the protection and safety of children and their families at the heart of decision making.

**Health and Wellbeing Board**

The Health and Well Being Board (HWBB) act to ensure that key leaders from the health and care system work together to improve the health and wellbeing of Shropshire residents. Health and Wellbeing Board members collaborate to understand their local community’s needs, agree priorities and work together to plan how best to deliver services.

The vision of the Health and Well Being Strategy is “To help as many people as possible live long, happy and productive lives by promoting health and wellbeing at all stages of life.”

**Shropshire Safeguarding Children’s Board**

The Shropshire Safeguarding Children’s Board (SSCB) is required to evaluate the quality and effectiveness of early help services and publish these findings in an annual report. The SSCB ensures that the threshold document is understood and used appropriately, and that early help professionals have access to effective supervision and training.

**Strengthening Families through Early Help Partnership Sub-group**

The Strengthening Families Through Early Help Partnership Sub Group (previously the Early Help Partnership Group) is the multi-agency group responsible for the review of the Early Help Strategy. The group reports to the Children’s Trust on progress towards outcomes, the effectiveness of early help and any gaps in service. They also oversee and support the implementation of the work of the Early Help Stakeholder Performance group.

**Troubled Families Strategic Co-ordinator**

This role is a key communication link between strategic and operational groups. The role has responsibility for quality assurance and embedding the 4 Principles of the national Troubled Families locally to support the implementation of service transformation within Shropshire.

**Strengthening Families through Early Help Locality Meeting**

Locality meetings have changed. They now offer practitioners the chance to share information about service and resources; a forum to network; an opportunity to participate in an ECINS clinic and a closed session to discuss nominated families. Referrals will be accepted for the closed meetings a week before the meeting. For further information please contact Helena Williams on 01743 253924 or email ShropshireStrengtheningFamilies@shropshire.gov.uk

**Early Help Partnership Meetings**

Where a multi-agency response to unmet need is required, an Early Help Partnership Meeting brings together practitioners from across different services to work together to co-ordinate and deliver an integrated package of solution focused support to meet the unmet needs. It is important that the child or young person and parents/carers are also included as part of the Early Help Partnership Meetings.

**Partnership Plus Meetings**

Partnership Plus Meetings carry on from an Early Help Partnership Meetings and enable partners to discuss practical considerations without the family present. This might include workloads, gaps in provision, local solutions and funding needs.

**Strengthening Families Complex Multi-Agency Meetings**

Where the needs of family are more complex, Multi-Agency Meetings offer the opportunity for frontline workers to share intelligence and knowledge about a family. To hear the voice of the family and to explore solutions to support the family’s action plan. These are practitioner only meetings.

**Family Group Conferencing**

In Shropshire the Family Group Conference (FGC) project is a tool to hear the voice of the family. FCG is used as a forum to bring family and significant others together to address issues and work towards goals identified by themselves and professionals. By addressing these in a trusting and transparent meeting, families can take responsibility for their own Family Plan and make decisions that will provide their children with the best possible outcomes.