

CORPORATE PARENTING BOARD – PERFORMANCE REPORT

NOVEMBER 2018

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

The purpose of this report is to provide the Board with the most up to date performance overview in relation to Children in Care and to highlight results from April 2018 to September 2018. Performance commentaries have been provided by the Head of Service.

Reference	Indicator	Statistical Neighbour Average	Target 18/19	Out-turn 17/18	Apr 18	May 18	Jun 18	Q1	Jul 18	Aug 18	Sep 18	Q2	YTD	Service commentary
CC-1 (E)	Number of children in care (as at) (rate per 10,000)	762 (90)	575 (88.5)	618 (92.1)	624 (91.8)	626 (92.1)	623 (91.7)		606 (89.2)	611 (89.9)	610 (89.8)			There has been a slight reduction in the numbers of children in care and the figure was fairly stable across the period. This reflects the positive work done by services such as MST CAN and the Edge of Care hub in ensuring that only those children whose needs cannot be met at home or by the extended family come into care.
CC – 4 / 5 / 6	The number of children discharged as a result of a Permanent Outcome (SGO/Child Arrangement Order/Adoption Order)	57	75	66	1	6	4	11	10	4	7	21	32	The outturn in period one was low and has impacted on performance overall. Performance is slightly below target and is subject to ongoing scrutiny. Information regarding adoption is reported to the Adoption Leadership Board. We are currently working closely with colleagues from Nottinghamshire, Derbyshire and Derby City to implement a Regional Adoption Agency, which will increase the pool of potential adopters available.
CC-8 (NI62)	The percentage of Children in Care that have had three or more placement moves in the previous 12 months	10.3% (2015)	11.1%	9.4%	9.9%	9.4%	9.8%	9.8%	10.1%	10.3%	9.7%	9.7%		Performance has been relatively stable throughout the period and is within the target. There are ongoing challenges in the availability of placements, particularly for older children or those with challenging behaviour which means that where placements breakdown identifying alternatives can be challenging. We have worked with colleagues from Derby City and Nottinghamshire to develop a new service, funded through a Social Impact Bond, that will both increase the availability of placements for children who may otherwise be in residential care and offer support to foster placements that are at risk of breakdown.
CC-9 (NI63)	The percentage of Children in Care who have lived in the same placement for at least 2 years	67.2% (2015)	66%	74%	75.4%	74.2%	73.1%	73.1%	72.0%	69.5%	74.1%	74.1%		Performance in this area is stable and above target. As already indicated we are currently developing a new service that will further strengthen the support available to foster placements that are at risk of breakdown.
CC-10 (R)	The percentage of Children in Care reviewed within the appropriate timescale	N/A	97%	93%	96.6%	98.7%	97.1%	97.5%	98.8%	98.8%	99.0%	98.9%	98.2%	Performance in this area is stable and above target. It is closely scrutinised on an on-going basis
CC-11 (R)	The percentage of reviews where the child participated	N/A	90%	92%	87.3%	97.0%	87.6%	91.1%	89.6%	87.9%	82.7%	87.2%	89.4%	There has been a downturn in performance in relation to this measure in Q2. Although performance is only slightly below target work will be undertaken in Q3 to identify any underlying factors and address these.
CC-12 (E)	The percentage of Children in Care with an up-to-date health assessment	89.0% (OC2 Cohort) Different to this measure	90%	84.9%	86.4%	86.2%	86.1%		84.3%	79.7%	76.0%			There is no direct comparator information available from other authorities. National reporting is focussed on a particular cohort of young people. Data from that return shows our performance at 2017/18 year-end as 89%. The most recent reported performance from other authorities was 89%. We have escalated the issue regarding health assessments with teams and health colleagues and anticipate that this will lead to an improvement.

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CC-13 (E)	The percentage of Children in Care with up-to-date dental checks	85.6% (OC2 Cohort) Different to this measure	90%	74.5%	86.2%	84.8%	83.6%		82.2%	78.5%	74.0%			There is no direct comparator information available from other authorities. National reporting is focussed on a particular cohort of young people. Data from that return shows our performance at year-end as 93%. The most recent reported performance from other authorities was 85.6%. We have worked closely with fostering and residential providers (internally and externally) to improve these rates. Although this had an impact this does not appear to have been sustained so we will re-visit this.
CC-14 (E)	The percentage of Children in Care with an up-to-date Strength and Difficulties Questionnaire (SDQ)	71.8% (OC2 Cohort) Different to this measure	90%	70.1%	69.8%	70.2%	70.9%		74.6%	76.0%	75.8%			Although not yet at target performance in this area is improving. It is explored in the weekly placement panel and is again something we have addressed in work with placement providers
CC-19 (R)	The percentage of applicable (Eligible, Relevant and Former relevant) young people with a Pathway Plan started within the last 6 months.	N/A	97%	85.0% (16/17)	To Be Developed	To Be Developed	To Be Developed		To Be Developed	To Be Developed	To Be Developed		To Be Developed	
CC-20 (R)	The percentage of applicable (Eligible, Relevant and Former relevant) young people with a Pathway Plan completed/authorised in the preceding 6 months	N/A	97%	78.7% (16/17)	To Be Developed	To Be Developed	To Be Developed		To Be Developed	To Be Developed	To Be Developed		To Be Developed	We have developed a reporting dashboard that enables us to undertake ongoing monitoring of performance in leaving care service. This was not available previously. Performance as at 31.10.18 was 75.6%
CC-29 (R)	The percentage of placements that are over 20 miles from Nottingham	N/A	85%	84% (16/17)				83.2%				80.6%		Performance is below target. A key factor in this is the challenge highlighted above in relation to the availability of placements nationally. To address this challenge we have invested in both expanding our residential children's homes provision and in-house fostering.
CL-7 (R)	The percentage of care leavers in suitable accommodation (17-21 years old)	84% (19 - 21 yrs)	85%	87.0%				93.6%				70.2%	80.8%	Performance in this area has usually been positive so the deterioration in Q2 is concerning and will be the subject of ongoing management scrutiny
CL-8 (R)	The percentage of care leavers in employment, education or training (17-21 years old)	52% (19 - 21 yrs)	55%	57.3%				51.8%				32.2%	41.7%	Performance in Q2 significantly deteriorated. The position as at 31.10.18 had improved 48.8%. Of those young people not in Education, training and employment approximately 26% are unable to work because they are parents or have a health condition. A small number are in custody.