

NEW MODEL OF SCHOOL NURSING

FOR THE NORTH WEST

INTRODUCTION

A national vision and call to action for school nursing services has been recently published and the North West is investing in an implementation programme to support the partners involved in this work.

The implementation programme is being led by the Child Health Development Programme and the North West Regional Youth Work Unit and wish to hear from all involved partners to explore their views, needs and support mechanisms they would like to see employed in this project.

The project will last until the end of the year and will cover all North West areas. Partners including training establishments; commissioners; providers; teachers; children, young people and their families are invited to participate.

BACKGROUND

A vision and call to action for school nursing services has been recently published. It sets out an ambition that the service vision and model for school nursing services developed through the School Nursing Development Programme will be a framework for local services that meet both current and future needs.

These should be services that are visible, accessible and confidential, which deliver universal public health and ensure that there is early help and extra support available to children and young people at the times when they need it. They should also include services to help children and young people with illness or disability within the school and beyond.

[Getting it right for children, young people and families](#) sets out the result of the first year of development work undertaken by the Department of Health, Department for Education, key partner organisations, professionals and children and young people themselves.

The report identifies the next steps towards achieving improved services and outcomes. It aims to join up best evidence of what should be done with the views of professionals, parents, children and young people on how it should be done. By implementing the model, good health outcomes and positive user experience can be achieved.

It is published alongside the first detailed pathway which sets out the transition from health visiting to school nursing services. A group of products are being developed to help support local implementation of the model. Detailed feedback from children and young people can be found in the document 'Helping young people keep healthy through public health programmes'.

CONTEXT

The new service model is set within the Healthy Child Programme 5-19 which is based on best evidence to promote and protect the health of children in the developing years.

The model is also set in the context of the need for a multiservice response for children and young people from a number of agencies.

This is a national model that requires localisation for the children and young people along with their families to benefit from the improvements that the model should bring.





HOT TOPIC

WHAT IS THE MODEL?



This simplified diagram sets out the new model for school nursing. The service model aims to strengthen health services for school-aged children and young people and to promote optimal health and wellbeing. It brings together the wide range of recommended programmes and initiatives for local areas to consider including the Healthy Child Programme.

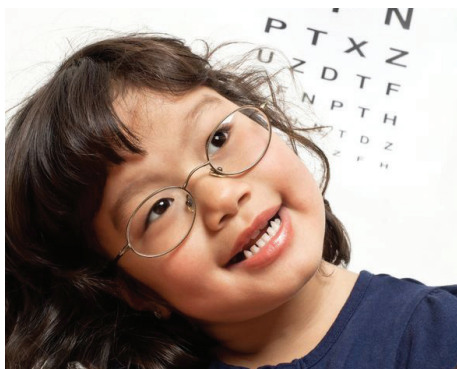
Click here for an overview of the full [School Nursing Model](#)

BENEFITS

The project will support local areas to identify support needs and solutions to model changes. It will identify good practice and use a number of media to disseminate the information.

The project is setting up a steering group and will support local areas in a variety of ways (one size does not fit all!) to implement the new model including:

- Workshops
- Mini-conferences
- Action Learning Sets
- School nurse challenge
- Peer review
- Networking
- Newsletters



AREAS OF RISK

The biggest area of risk for this project is a lack of engagement due to the changes in the NHS.

It is imperative that existing and future commissioners as well as providers and other partners are targeted for involvement.

KEY DATES

23rd April 2012 – Launch of new School Nursing Model in North West.

8th June 2012 – First Steering Group meeting to agree terms of reference and project outcome measures.

12th June 2012 – Presentation to North West Paediatric Diabetes network meeting (Haydock).

Further dates to follow.

USEFUL LINKS/RESOURCES

New model of school Nursing

<http://cno.dh.gov.uk/2012/03/12/vision-and-model-for-school-nursing-sets-out-framework-for-local-services/>

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