The Early Years and Childcare Service

Briefing and Networking Sessions

February 2020







Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- Early Education Entitlements Delivery 2020/21
 - KCC Funding Rates
 - The Provider Agreement 'Review and Refresh'
 - Provision for children with SEND
- Children's Dental Care
- Integrated Review at Two
- Early Years and Childcare Provider Association
- Evaluation and close







Early Education Entitlements Delivery 2020/21

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Early Education Entitlement Delivery

- Funding 2020/21
- Provider Agreement Review and Refresh
- Provision for Children with SEND





Funding 2020/21

In October 2019, Central Government announced its intention to increase the 2019-20 Local Authority Free Entitlement funding rates by 8p from April 2020 for both the three and four-year old and two-year olds.

Kent County Council (KCC) has taken the decision to pass on the full 8p to providers from April 2020 through an increase in the base rate paid to providers for both three and four-year old and two-year olds.

From April 2020, the base rates paid to providers will increase from £5.02 to £5.10 per hour for two-year olds, and from £4.00 to £4.08 per hour for three- and four-year olds. The supplementary rates and the process for application will remain unchanged from April 2020: Quality (qualified leader) 30p or 90p and Deprivation which is a range from 1p to £1.23.





Provider Agreement Review and Refresh

Proposed changes to existing Agreement dated October 2018







Reasons for changes

To add to and/or clarify wording to ensure:

Children's needs are being met

Providers are confident they are meeting children's needs within the statutory framework

KCC is commissioning The Education People to carry out its duties effectively and in accordance with statutory guidance







Overview of changes

Changes will be made under the following headings:

Consumables

Notice periods

Headcount and claiming funding

Exclusions

Compliance

Termination and withdrawal of funding

Places for children with SEN and off-rolling







Minor amendments

Minor text amendments will be added to the following paragraphs for clarity:

- 6.5 add GDPR to end
- 6.6.1 add a point that says 'Providers are encouraged to ask all parents if they think they would meet the criteria to be eligible for FF2.'
- 6.6.3 and 6.7.1 updating tables to reflect changing months for Easter







Minor amendments continued

- 6.6.7 Add at the end of the paragraph 'An application would need to be submitted in the normal way in order for MI to do this'
- 6.8.7 Add 'In line with the dates shown on page 7; Section 6.7.1. This will help avoid confusion in April
- 6.8.10 change wording to 'is on roll in the reception class of a state funded school'.







Provision for children with SEND

What are the issues?

- National context
- Local legal clarification
- Ways forward and solutions







Children with SEND: What are the issues?

Increase in number of parental complaints suggest that:

Settings say that they cannot meet the child's need and signpost families to other settings

Settings are excluding children or asking them to leave completely

Settings are considering 'capping' the number of children with SEND in their settings

Settings are not applying for, or using, additional funding streams appropriately







Children with SEND: National context

There is statutory guidance provided by the Department for Education for early education and childcare and the Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) Codes of Practice: 0 to 25 years. The legislation surrounding this is the Children and Families Act 2014 plus the Regulations under it and also the Childcare Acts of 2006 and 2016.

All 3 to 4-year old children in England can receive the universal 15 hours of childcare free regardless of whether they are SEN children. The provider must have arrangements in place to support children with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND). They must promote equality and inclusion, particularly for disadvantaged families, looked after children, children in need and children with special educational needs and disability.







Children with SEND: Local legal clarification

In relation to SEND children, a local authority has a duty to ensure that there are enough early year options for all families in the area who need it. Early years providers must follow the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) framework which includes having arrangements and support for disabled/SEN and medical conditions.

If a child is 3 or 4 years old and receives free childcare and is in receipt of Disability Living Allowance, the parent can apply for the provider to receive funding through the Disability Access Fund.

Again if the provider has opted to deliver 30 hours free childcare; has available space in its setting and is open all day, then they must take on a child with SEND.







Ways forward and solutions

Be fully prepared for children before they arrive

Access all available support, training and funding

Refer to other multiagency colleagues and complete any requests for information regarding Statutory Assessment







Discussion

How can we come together to ensure:

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Children's Oral Health

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KCC Early Years Workshop Presentation – Feb 2020

Working Together to Improve Children's Oral Health











What do we mean by Oral Health? Why is it so important?

- Oral health is defined as a standard of the oral and related tissue which enables an individual to eat, speak and socialise without active disease, pain, discomfort or embarrassment and which contributes to general well-being.
- In addition to pain and discomfort poor oral health can result in disruption of family life, loss of sleep, time of work /school, loss of self-esteem and limited food choices.

(Defined by the World Health Organisation (WHO))







Healthmatters Levels of tooth decay in England



7,926 children under 5 admitted into **hospital** for dental extractions















Healthmatters Poor dental health harms school readiness

Research about extractions in children in North West hospitals found that 26% had missed days from school because of dental pain and infection



An average of

3 days of school
were missed
due to dental
problems



67% of parents reported their child had been in pain

38% of children had sleepless nights because of the pain

Many days of work were potentially lost as 41% of parents/ carers were employed

The Telegraph

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UK 'oral health crisis': 170 youngsters a day have teeth extracted as sugar blamed for epidemic









Why are Remainers so happy? Right now, Britain is on course for a no-deal Brexit





- 4 Unai Emery is gambling his reputation on sacrificing two of Arsenal's top talents
- She may survive her confidence vote, but Mrs May is still ill-equipped to be Prime Minister









Dental Caries (Tooth Decay)











Importance for Children





Most common reason for children to be hospitalised



Nearly a quarter of 5 year olds have tooth decay





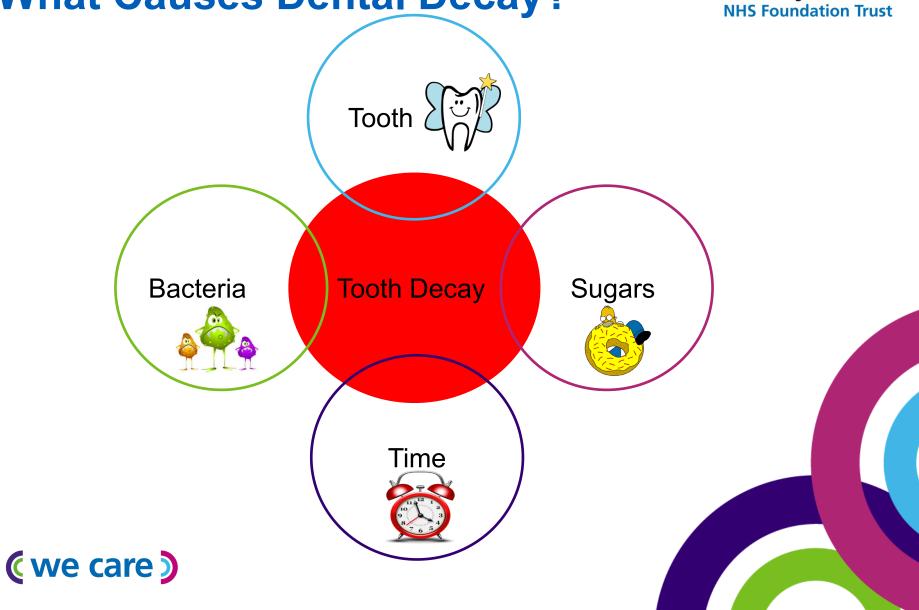


Tooth Decay is Preventable!





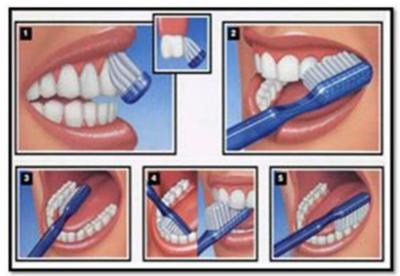
What Causes Dental Decay?



Brushing







- Brush twice a day –at night and one other time in the day
- Brushing starts as soon as teeth erupt
- Supervise until at least age 8
- Clean teeth and gums





Toothpaste







Over 1000 ppm of Fluoride Spit don't rinse







Where to look for fluoride content in a toothpaste package

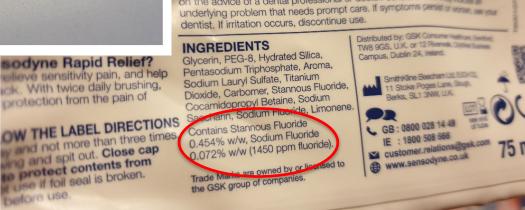


1350-1500ppm

WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

Keep out of reach of children. Not for use by children under 12 seed on the advice of a dental professional or doctor. Sensitive teeth may be a se

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Sodium fluoride
Stannous fluoride





Kent Community Health

IHS Foundation Trust

GATORADE BLUE BOLT 600ML

BOOST JUICE BLUEBERRY BLAST LOW FAT SMOOTHIE ORIGINAL SIZE 610ML



PER SERVING

31/2 TSP PER 100ML 21/2TSP PER 100ML

(we care)

COCA COLA



PER SERVING

1 1/2 TSP PER 100ML

LIPTON ICE TEA PEACH 500ML



PER SERVING







PER SERVING

21/2TSP PER 100ML















22g=5.5tsp





RASPBERRY





























Diet Advice

NHS **Kent Community Health**

NHS Foundation Trust









Preventing Dental Decay



- Brush twice daily
- Increase fluoride
- Reduce sugar
- Visit dentist regularly Recommended by Public Health England that all children should visit a dentist by the age of 1









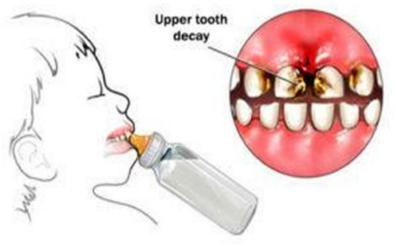


Bottle Caries

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- 'Bin the bottle' by age 1
- Never dip dummies in sugar/honey
- Introduce sip cups from 6 months











Regular dental visits

- NHS dental visits are free for children until age 18
- Brush as soon as first tooth erupts (about 6 months old)
- Dental checks as soon as first tooth erupts









Breastfeeding

 Breastfeeding up to 12 months is associated with reduced caries risk and also helps with development of the teeth and prevents malocclusion

Teething

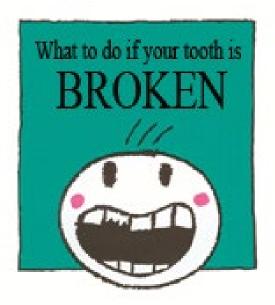
- When a baby is teething it can help to give them something hard to chew on such as a teething ring, a crust of bread or a peeled carrot, however it is important to avoid rusks because almost all contain sugar
- For babies over 4 months of age, sugar free teething gel can be rubbed on the gum.

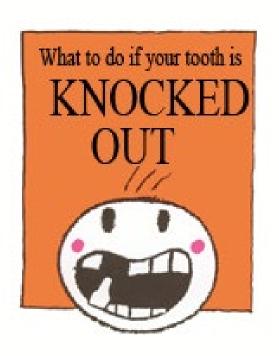


Dental Trauma















Variety of resources available

- Games
- Charts and stickers
- Colours and sounds
- Apps for phones or tablets



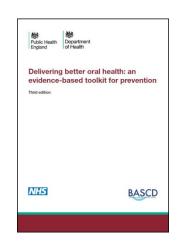






Evidence Base

- Kent Community Health
 NHS Foundation Trust
- Delivering Better Oral Health Toolkit
- Public Health England 'Children's Oral Health Improvement Programme 2016-2020'
- Child Smile Scotland











Fewer general anaesthetics Fewer sleepless nights for tooth decay

Fewer missed school days and days off work for parents







Less pain from tooth decay Reductions in the numbers of children with tooth decay A reduction in the oral health gap for disadvantaged familes

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Thank you for listening! Any questions?







Integrated Review at Two

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Responding to the local SEND Inspection

Kent's approach to an Integrated Review at 2













The Kent SEND WSOA – Action 9.5

Action

Integrate the two-to two-and-a half-year check between health visitors and early years settings to embed the 'tell it once' culture.

Key milestone Implement a consistent model for integrated reviews (October 2020).









Statutory Responsibilities and National Guidance

- The Early Years Foundation Stage
 Framework progress check at age 2
- The Healthy Child Programme universal mandated developmental review at 2-2½ years
- July 2011 Government commitment to explore options for integrating reviews
- November 2014 3 models piloted in five areas across the UK. 2 of the models proved viable.
- March 2015 The National Children's Bureau (NBC) document

"No one approach more universally beneficial than the other" DfE 2014

"Local areas will need to identify the best way to conduct the integrated reviews dependent on their geography, population needs and workforce mix." NCB 2015









Other services



Include: Children's Care Co-ordination Team, SEN, Portage, Community Paediatrics, speech and language.

Early Years



Approx. 1800 Early Years Providers, with over 1030 Child Minders and 770 Nurseries.

Supported by The Education People

The Family



Approx., 18,000 two year olds

Approx. 11,160 (62%) are in Early Years Setting.

0-5 population is forecasted to increase by 5.8% by 2030.

Open Access



84 Children Centres across Kent.

Health Visiting



Workforce of 288.3 clinical staff across 12 district teams.

Approx. 14,300 children, over 80% of the 2 year old population receive a HV check at 2-2.5









The Thanet Pilot

- March 2016 Phase 1 universal offer of integrated reviews
- September 2016 Phase 2 targeted offer

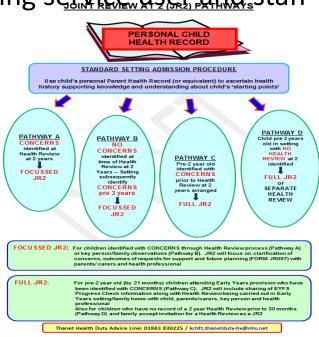
August 2017 – Phase 2 Evaluation including service user and staff

feedback.

 It was not viable to roll the model on a Kent wide basis due to practical and resource challenges – the work therefore halted

 A process was agreed to improve universal communication between services.











ordination

Critical Success Family led and **Factors** codesigned Reduced **Appropriate Enhanced** duplication info sharing offer Consistent Builds performance Proportionate partnership against mandated meets need working targets Focus on Can engage all Uses Holistic those most Affordable digitisation EY providers understanding need Early Satisfaction/m Within existing Achievable Central co-

workforce

Capacity

eets user

meets

identification

of need



timescales







Key constraints and challenges

- The Health Visiting Service capacity (clinical vacancies 16.5%)
- Early Years staffing recruitment and ratio requirements
- Additional complexities for childminders
- Delivery of the review in session time
- Parent and carer availability during session time
- Additional funding has not been allocated to the project
- National policy and statutory obligations
- Impact on children centre usage/ accommodation
- Over ambitious timescales within the WSA and the need to build in time to codesign the approach
- Rolling out on a Kent wide basis while maintaining business as usual









Recommended Option

- Universally, a consistent process is put in place to improve relationships and communication
- Where needs are identified, a conversation will take place and a pathway agreed. This will result in either:
 - a) an integrated review (meeting) or
 - b) an intervention / referrals

If concerns remain following an intervention an integrated review (meeting) will take place.

 Where a child is in a setting pre 2 years old and needs are identified a integrated review will be offered.









Recommended option - Impact/ benefits

- Consistent process universally reinforced by early years admissions processes
- Prevents children "falling through the gaps"
- Improves early identification of children with concerns, including those which may previously have been missed.
- Tailored approach to meet individual need including intervention
- Joint follow up
- Separate pathway for those in setting pre 2 with concerns families access support more quickly
- Existing support will also be considered and, where appropriate, Health Visiting or Early Years involvement in the team around the Family.
- Two-way dialogue between services and family involvement









Recommended option pathways

You attend the HV and EYs review

You have an EY review but not an HV review Needs identified

You have an EY review but not an HV review Universal

You have an HV review but not an EYs review Needs identified

You have an HV review but not an EYs review Universal

You were in setting before 24 months with needs identified









Recommendations – Immediate Actions make a difference now (Universal and Countywide)

- Promote all HCP reviews at EYs settings and Children's Centre
- Joint communications to EY Settings and HV staff
- Encourage use of PCHR by HVs, EYs and parents
- Explore resources required to support communications
- Amend process for EYs admissions to request a copy of the PCHR
- Details of district HV teams shared with EY setting and updated quarterly
- Encourage use of district HV duty line by EY settings
- HV to record the interventions delivered and success rate









Thoughts and feedback









What can you do now

- Look at red book on admission
- Request that parents share information in the red book on a regular basis, particularly at age of two if child has been in setting from a baby
- Use contact details shared by HV to check if 2-year check has taken place
- Signpost families to 2-year HV check if this has not taken place
- Use contact details to discuss concerns about a child, with parental permission, if child is very young or EYLIFT process is not the most appropriate course of action



Early Years and Childcare Provider Association

Area Representatives from the Association





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- **IMPORTANT** Did you sign in? All delegates <u>must sign the register</u> and ensure that their school/setting and contact details are completed and up to date.







Thank you and have a safe journey home.





