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SLC 0-2 years





Welcome!



Looking forward to sharing our Derby journey so far.

If you have any questions, please do raise your hand or add a question in the chat. There will be time for discussion at the end of the presentation.

The Derby journey



- Historical relationship SLT working closely with Derby City LA
- SLT/LA working group
- Past delivery of SLT covered full suite of universal, targeted and specialist tier support
- Strong emphasis on early years – Sure Start, Children’s Centres
- Service changes 2012 – specialist tier intervention commissioned only



Past work on 0-2 years

- Pathway developed 0-5 years for support of SLC across the system incorporating involvement of midwifery, health visiting and early years education settings
- Service changes meant that the pathway was no longer in use
- Subsequently, SLTs not part of the development early years SLC offer in wider workforce eg implementation of Healthy Child Programme/use of ASQ assessment, Children's Centres, funded 2 year old places.



Overlapping initiatives with EOF

- DfE Opportunity Area – early years SLC priority, pilot projects to identify ‘what works’.
- TALK Derby (workforce/promotional campaign).
- PHE Best Start in speech and language.
- Local response to Children’s Commissioner report ‘We Need to Talk. Access to speech and language therapy’ 2019.
- CQC/HMI WSOA – needed to improve integrated two year old review process/pathway.
- We needed a plan which would draw everything together.



What did the EOF 0-2 years needs analysis tell us?

- A lower proportion of children passed the Communication and Language section on the ASQ3 assessment at age 2 years compared to the other 4 domains (Gross Motor skills, Fine Motor skills, Problem Solving, Personal and Social skills)
- There were high levels of take up compared to national averages of children in funded early education places for 2 year old children who live in the 40% most disadvantaged households (pre COVID)
- We had no data at the centre to tell us how many of these children had SLCN



- Parents said they needed to know what to do, but didn't know where to find information for this age group.
- Attachment issues raised re: Mum's bonding with babies
- Derby CHiMAT (The National Child and Mental Health Network) data showed several wider social determinants which correlate with the number of children who may be at risk of speech and language needs. For example, higher than national average numbers of children living in **low income families, family homelessness, children in care, under 18-year-old conception rate and teenage mums, low birth weight, smoking at time of baby delivery, breastfeeding initiation and hospital admissions 0-4 years.**



Prediction of SLCN as % of estimated population

Derby City	0-4 Years	5-9 Years
Abbey	40.10%	38.56%
Allestree	8.14%	8.38%
Alvaston	51.54%	55.17%
Arboretum	60.29%	63.93%
Blagreaves	8.63%	8.44%
Boulton	55.89%	56.70%
Chaddesden	39.13%	36.89%
Chellaston	39.78%	37.75%
Darley	42.86%	45.14%
Derwent	52.64%	50.42%
Littleover	8.67%	9.30%
Mackworth	43.30%	44.22%
Mickleover	8.57%	8.88%
Normanton	61.22%	61.47%
Oakwood	40.14%	37.63%
Sinfin	60.46%	59.69%
Spondon	47.50%	47.57%



- The WSOA showed that services worked well in isolation, but there were no formal integrated pathways of support between early education settings, Children's Centres and the Health Visiting teams at the integrated 2 year review.
- No involvement of Midwifery, Libraries or the Voluntary sector across the piece.
- Universal, city wide campaigns to promote SLC development had targeted the 'top end' of the early years age range ie when children were attending early years education settings, but not 0-2 years.



2017-2018 heat map for all of Derby City

LEVEL	Family Support	Environment	Workforce	Identification	Intervention
Specialist	Provisions: 26	Provisions: 7	Provisions: 25	Provisions: 28	Provisions: 39
Targeted	Provisions: 30	Provisions: 1	Provisions: 28	Provisions: 15	Provisions: 23
Universal	Provisions: 12	Provisions: 28	Provisions: 43	Provisions: 21	Provisions: 12

2019 heat map for all of Derby City

LEVEL	Family Support	Environment	Workforce	Identification	Intervention
Specialist	Provisions: 26	Provisions: 7	Provisions: 24	Provisions: 28	Provisions: 37
Targeted	Provisions: 24	Provisions: 1	Provisions: 20	Provisions: 12	Provisions: 12
Universal	Provisions: 9	Provisions: 13	Provisions: 10	Provisions: 21	Provisions: 2

Where did our journey take us?

- EOF provided us with a strong foundation from which to take the work to the next level.
- Created a strategic vision/5 year plan via the Strategy and Pathway.
- Strong partnerships developed between Early Years and School Improvement Team, Children's Centres and Public Health.
- Public Health commissioned a Speech and Language Therapist to build on the Derby offer for 0-2 year olds.



Next Steps

- Developing working relationships with VCS organisations and Midwifery in the hope that they can provide universal messaging in the ante and peri-natal periods
- Working groups to develop the integrated two year old review and integrated working between HV and CCs staff to support SLC
- Looked at appropriate evidence based interventions/resources which can be used in the 0-2 years age range.

Next Steps

- iHV training implemented across all HVs and new ELIM screening tool to be rolled out to supplement the ASQ and increase identification accuracy at 2 year check.
- COVID has created challenges, especially with staff re-deployment within the NHS



How about you?

What are your historical challenges?

Have these been exacerbated by COVID?

How have you got around them?





Thank you



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