Commissioning public health services for children and young people aged 5-19.



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LA's key responsibilities for child health

April 2013, LA's - statutorily responsible for delivering and commissioning public health services for children and young people aged 5-19.

- Improving the health and wellbeing of school-aged children and young people;
- Bringing together holistic approaches to health and wellbeing across the full range of their responsibilities;
- Optimising the ring-fenced public health budget to improve outcomes for children and young people;
- Leading commissioning of public health services, for example, health improvement, drugs, and sexual health;
- Responding to emergency planning, including outbreak response in schools.



Specific functions

- Ensure delivery of Local Authority functions;
- Assure health protection plans;
- Work with partners to enable effective delivery of screening and immunisation programmes;
- Provide the core offer as outlined in the Healthy Child programme.



Core public health offer for school-aged children the Healthy Child Programme (5-19)

- Public health;
- Health promotion and prevention by the multidisciplinary team;
- Defined support for children with additional and complex health needs;
- Additional or targeted school nursing support as identified in the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment.



The Children and Young People's Public Health Commissioned services.

- School Nursing, Health services -2 providers.
- Infant Feeding peer support services 3 providers,
- 7 Home start programmes
- Healthy weight, exercise referral programme North Lancs,
- Children & Families Health Improvement Service East Lancs
- Accident prevention ACAP- East Lancs,
- Emotional health and well-being East Lancs



School Nursing Services

What have we done so far

- Review of School Nursing services Mapping of Universal /Core offer Pan Lancashire
- Reviewing existing specifications, KPI's and performance information
- Gathering data to identify the level of health need and where we need to focus
- Gain evidence to shape commissioning for outcomes
- Consultations and engagement with providers and stakeholders
- Consultation with Children & Young people

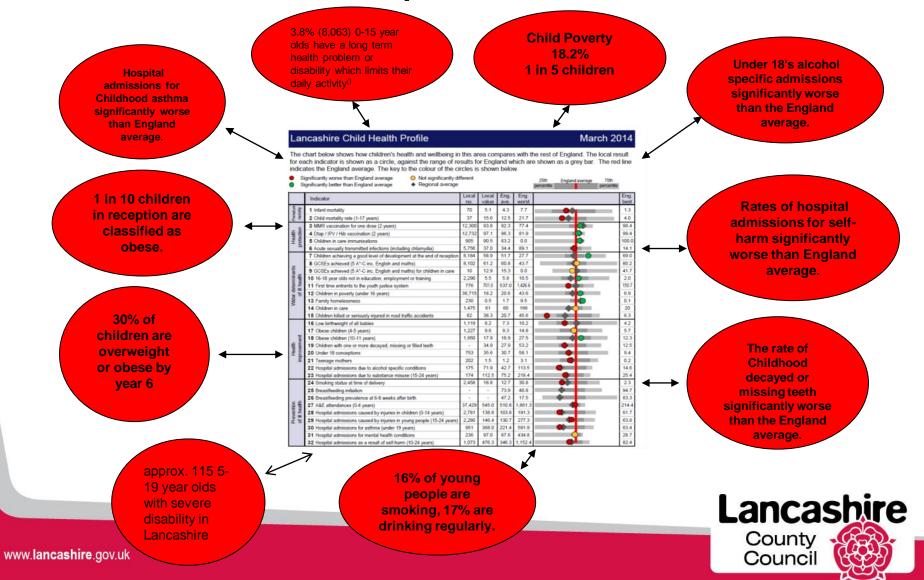


Complexities to be addressed

- 5 PCT commissioned community services transitioned into 2 providers LCFT & BTH
- Unitary Authorities x2 2 Tier LCC -different commissions and levels of investment
- Boundary issues services provided by external LA's
- Differences in services offered across Lancs (need vs demand) - Gaps in consistency , skill mix, capacity, universal core offer, term time working
- Pressures of changing educational landscape



The picture of Children's and Young People's Health and Health Inequalities in Lancashire.



Scale of the challenge in Lancashire 14

	No of children aged 5 to 19	Black or Minority Ethnic Group	Children in poverty	Schools
Blackburn with Darwen	31,273	44%	25.3%	84
Blackpool	23,832	7%	31.3%	42
Lancashire 12	205,403	14%	18.2%	686
Lancashire 14	260,508	17%	20.3%	812



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Local and National policy

- Maximising the school nursing team contribution to the public health of school-aged children (2014
- The Marmot Review 2010
- The Allen Report 2011 & CMO report 2012
- The Children and Families Act 2014
- DfE, Supporting pupils at school with medical conditions, 2014
- The Health Visiting Programme A Call to Action. Department of Health, 2011
- Improving outcomes and supporting transparency: A public health outcomes framework for England, 2013-2016.
- Locally- the Lancashire Children's trust and Health and Well-being boards.



Opportunities

- Lead, promote and create opportunities for co-operation with partners to improve the wellbeing of young people;
- Joining up commissioning plans for clinical and public health services with social care, education to address identified local health and wellbeing needs
- Support robust approach for improving outcomes for young people across both health and local authority led services
- Ensure close working arrangements between the Local Authority commissioner, NHS England commissioner and provider services
- Explore co-commissioning arrangements with key partners, including school and education providers, to extend service provision where local and/ or school population health and wellbeing needs are identified.

