



Corporate Parenting Board Performance Report

**Our key comments
include.....**



Our main areas of concern:

- **Re-Referral rate**
- **Settled placements**
- **Looked after children excluded from school**
- **Involvement with youth offending teams**
- **Children and young people being given permanent homes**

**The number of
Children looked
after in
Lancashire is
higher than
February 2015**



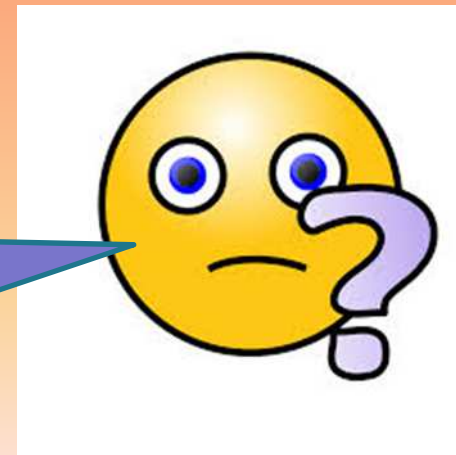
**The current
number of looked
after children in
Lancashire is lower
than in the North
West**

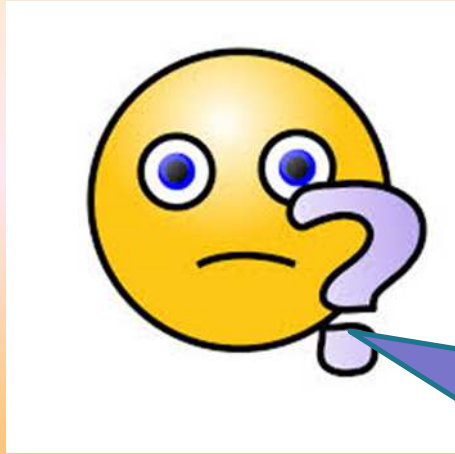




The contact centre has received less referrals than in previous years, although more contacts

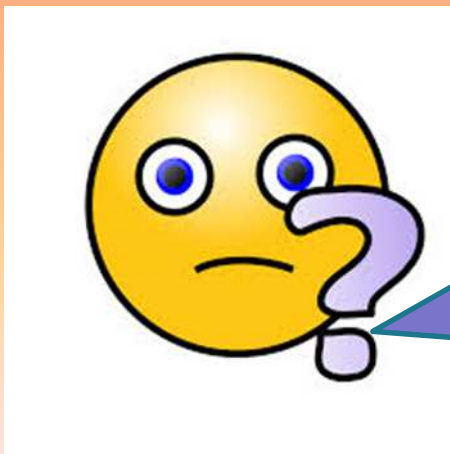
Do we need more social workers to deal with the contacts?





The new single assessments have been being used for a couple of years now, is there any feedback or reviews on how they are going?

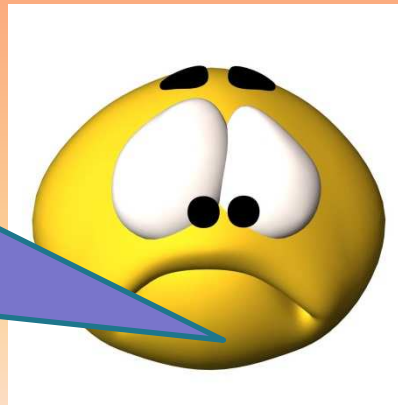
Re-referral rate for 2014/15 has gone down – We are happy that the rate has gone down although we know that people don't like to ask for help or are scared to get people involved again



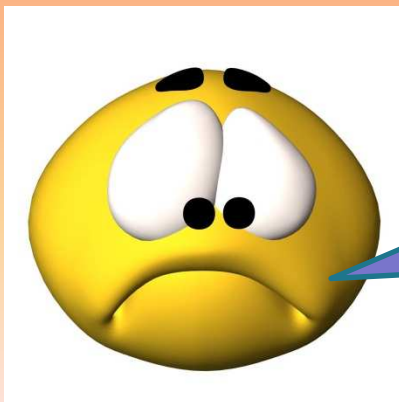
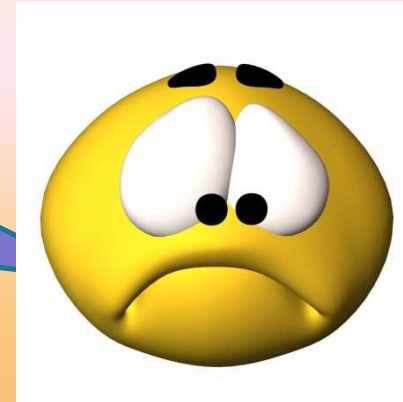
The re-referral rate has been calculated differently since LCS went live – What is LCS? How is the rate calculated? Is this giving the true rate?

**We are still happy that the number
of placement moves is within
target**

**68 out of 100
children in settled
placements - There
are still too many
looked after children
not in settled
placements**



5 looked after children excluded from school – this is a shocking statistic no looked after child should be permanently excluded



The target of 70 fixed term exclusions should be lowered

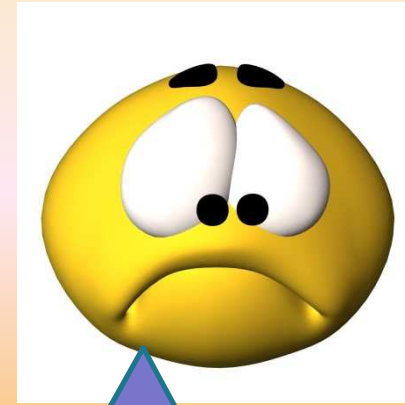
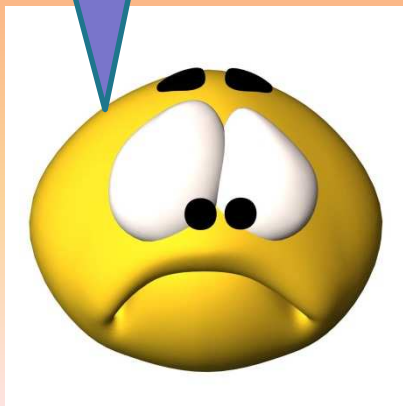
We think it is still a good idea to have additional tutors available in residential homes and for children and young people who are fostered



Is this being looked into?



If we are attending an appointment we shouldn't be classed as absent from school



It can disrupt the day if children and young people have to go to appointments during the school day

We are happy about the new workers being employed in schools and think this could reduce the number of exclusions and give support to looked after children



The number of looked after children involved with youth offending teams is a poor fact. There should be more support for looked after children and activities for them to do to keep them away from crime and to be with the right people



More young people have an up to date dental assessment – this is good



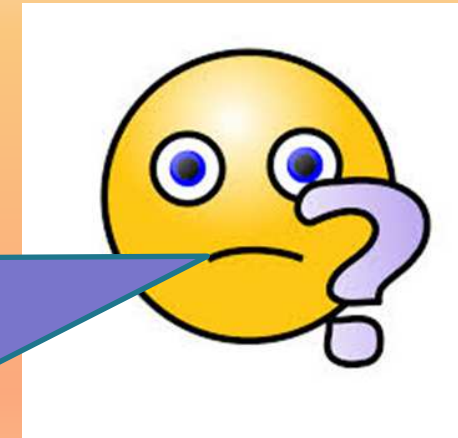
It is positive that more looked after children than ever are being given a permanent home



Could there be more done to allow more looked after children to have a permanent home? Are there looked after children who could be adopted but aren't due to not finding the right match?



It is still important that we are involved in leaving care and see options of placements and there is support given around budgeting. We are not sure that this always happens



Many more looked after children need to be in education and training and more early support is needed



We are happy the number of care leavers attending university each year is going up. It would be useful to know why they are going up?

The End