

Task and Finish Group Request Form

Date: 6/9/17	Requested by: Children's Services Scrutiny Committee
Chair: County Councillor Andrea Kay	
Title: Supporting Pupils at School with Medical Conditions	

<p>Purpose of the task and finish group E.g. Key objectives Main issues to be covered Potential timescales Key stakeholders Evidence requirements?</p>	<p>At the Children's Services Scrutiny Committee on 6 September, the committee discussed the provision around supporting pupils at school with medical conditions and in particular the responsibilities of the local authority around the public health nursing and the specialist school nursing support provided by the Clinical Commissioning Groups.</p> <p>It was highlighted to members that although there is specific Department for Education (DfE) guidance on support for pupils with medical conditions in schools, each school will have their own policy which has an impact on the parity of service provision.</p> <p>It was agreed it would be beneficial to establish a task group across both Children's Services and Education Scrutiny Committee's to view school policies from a cross section of schools across Lancashire to identify the current service provision range.</p> <p>It has been confirmed that this work has not been completed by the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Service and would provide valuable information to enable a further understanding of the concerns faced by schools and health. In addition, this information would assist with the work being undertaken by the service in seeking an agreed understanding of service provision between health and schools.</p> <p>Evidence will be supplied primarily through a desktop exercise from a variety of school websites to obtain their policy's in relation to supporting pupils with medical conditions and potentially through discussions with headteachers who have identified issues in this area or who may have best practice examples.</p>
<p>Initial outcomes identified E.g.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To gain a further understanding of the DfE guidance on supporting pupils at school with medical conditions.

Appendix A

SMART (Specific,
Measurable, Achievable,
Realistic, Timely)

- To further understand the range of service provision across a cross section of schools within Lancashire.
- To formulate recommendations for the SEND service to assist with supporting a consistent approach and understanding between schools and health on service provision.