

Coventry & Warwickshire Partnership NHS Trust (CWPT) returns for WSCB Annual report

1. What has your organisation done this year to contribute to the WSCB strategic priorities and how has this had an impact on children and young people in Warwickshire?
 - Coventry & Warwickshire Partnership NHS Trust (CWPT) have continued to work effectively with Warwickshire Safeguarding Children Board (WSCB) and is an active board member and partner in appropriate sub-committee's and working groups. CWPT has supported WSCB with its work to understand disparities between the services at all levels of the safeguarding continuum. The Trust has supported WSCB to improve outcomes for children by actively promoting, disseminating and engaging staff ensuring that they understand the early help offer. CWPT participates and effectively contributes to the early help offer by supporting and advising frontline practitioners to engage families in preventative work. Staff are actively encouraged to support the Common Assessment Framework (CAF) and all safeguarding training reinforces the need to support children and families early and at the right time. Staff are consistently supervised and supported to understand how neglected children are at increased risk of other sources of harm, targeted interventions to support children are families are at the forefront of the Trust "think family" ethos.
 - CWPT supports staff to improve outcomes for children by providing safeguarding supervision to all staff that encourages them to consider vulnerabilities and act upon concerns to support children and reduce risks, Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) is a priority for CWPT who host a CSE specialist nurse currently in post supporting the whole of the organisation. Effective liaison has been evident across Coventry and Warwickshire, working with young people to improve outcomes and reduce future risks.
2. What are your plans for 2017-18?
 - CWPT have developed within our pathways and new model self-referral and drop in support. Included in this is enhanced offer for schools to support the system around the child understanding mental health needs and placing importance upon resilience and prevention. CAMHS trialing a model in Warwickshire with Early Help locality panels to strengthen the working relationships and build further on the support around the child from all agencies with mental health being the key as every ones business. The success of this will be reviewed.
3. What are the challenges to achieving all that you aspire to?
 - Challenges for CWPT are consistent with all large NHS Trusts but CWPT provides an open, honest and sharing environment that encourages all staff to prioritise safeguarding responsibilities in a busy complex organisation.