Haringey and Enfield CHSWG Service Summaries for meeting on 21st June 2022

Parents	Update on parent engagement:
	- Uptake has been lowI have 8 parents signed up for updates on the CHSWG. We had a zoom this evening but only one person attended. I would like to discuss how we can increase this though - happy for this to be an agenda item or just to chat about it separately. I am going to ask the link to the CHSWG to be included in the next NLDCS newsletter which might increase interest, and another parent is going to share with Blanche Nevile parents, but I wonder if there's more that can be done to reach parents you don't have emails for. - Qs for deaf CAMHS — Who is the service aimed at? What is the waiting time to get support? Do they have any plans/strategies in place to try and clear backlog? Is there a Trailblazers scheme as in Haringey CAMHS? - a support scheme in schools, kind of one level below CAMHS to try and stop mental health problems escalating. Does deaf CAMHS have anything similar?
	Points raised by parents: - challenges of accessing extracurricular activities 111 calls and poor advice on where to go for head bumps. Quite a few people aren't clear on which hospital they should go to for A&E head injury related issues. The 111 issue is obviously something beyond the CHSWG's reach - but maybe something someone from the hospitals could raise elsewhere Two parents are exploring setting up a deaf club on Saturday mornings starting in September and keen to get a sense of parent's level of interest – they would really like ToDs help spreading the word - particularly with parents of primary school kids. Current plan is to hold it at St John Vianney church hall on West Green Rd, and ideally would charge no more than £2-4 a session. But it depends on interest Remark have a club on Saturdays too but aimed at kids aged 8+ and in central London so this would be more local.
	Ruth Fitzell
Education • Highlands School	Awaiting summary
Brimsdown	Awaiting summary
Blanche Nevile School	 HT maternity leave starts at the end of the summer term, we should have cover arrangements in place by the end of this week. We are now fully staffed at primary, following two new appointments (and the departure of our EYFS lead). EYSFS lead has agreed to stay on for two days per week until October to ensure a thorough handover as our new appointments are ECTs (both deaf and fluent in sign) The baby group restarted, but may be disrupted by building works currently taking place and so we are waiting to see if the group can continue. We are fully staffed at secondary in terms of teachers, but may need more BSL tutor hours and will be advertising for a CSW soon.
Sensory	<u>Update for CHWSG from Hearing Support Service – 21st June 2022</u>
Support Team	Staffing - 5 qualified teachers of the deaf and one deaf instructor. Martine Monksfield has just returned from maternity leave; she will be doing 4 days a week and dropping to 3 days in Sept 2022. In addition, Ann Gymer is leaving the service. Some of her role will be covered internally (2 days) and the rest will initially be agency cover staff until the post is

filled (2 days). Hence, it does mean some changes to school and caseload allocations next term.

Current caseload:

Enfield – 290 Children and young people

Haringey- 172 Children and young people

Out of borough - 24 children and young people. Hence, the total number of deaf of children and young people supported by the Haringey in Enfield hearing support service is 486.

New cases since September 2021 –

44 deaf children and young people (12 Haringey and 32 Enfield)

Toddler group -

Toddler group had a relaunch on the 1st of March 2022. We were able to invite 12 families to the launch. Since the launch, we have had on average 6-8 families attend on a fortnightly basis with others beginning to join. Parents have provided positive feedback and valued the opportunity to meet professionals and other families.

Update on radio aid policy

New policy developed in line with the NDCS guidance for radios aids including the use with pre-schoolers. We are also developing a better tracking system of stocks to monitor pupil equipment allocations, warranty, upgrades, repairs etc.

Reviewed a referral form:

We have reviewed our referral form and then devised a subsequent consent form. This is to be used in the next academic year and will be updated on the local offer and circulated to other services.

Speech and Language Therapy (SLT)

• Haringey (Whittington Health)

Haringey, Whittington Health NHS Speech & Language Therapy (SLT) Team – Update 21.6.22

Team:

- Newly appointment Clinical Lead: Wendy Martin wendy.martin4@nhs.net (One day a week Management Role- no clinical caseload)
- Abi Oakham, Highly Specialist SLT (4 days) <u>abi.oakham@nhs.net</u> Mobile: 07989 852 870

Tuesday/Thursday – Blanche Nevile caseload

Wednesday/Friday – Deaf babies and preschool caseload across Haringey from October 2021.

- Lara Murdock, Specialist SLT (4 days) (Blanche Nevile Full Time)
- Maddy Denne, Specialist SLT (2.5 days) (Blanche Nevile Full Time)

Service Manager: <u>liz.alsford@nhs.net</u>, Borough Lead for Therapies & Specialist School Nursing, Haringey, Whittington Health.

Looking to recruit for positions starting September 2022.

Service to Deaf Babies & Pre-School in Haringey

- Home visiting/Children's Centres/Nurseries
- Referrals from & close working with Haringey Sensory Support Team
- Young children with severe-profound bilateral sensorineural loss
- Young children with moderate –severe bilateral sensorineural/mixed loss where there are concerns about language development in discussion with HEHIS Team
- Currently 10 children referred to specialist SLT service

Service to Deaf Pupils at Blanche Nevile

- Nursery & Primary Department (in partnership with Highgate Primary School)
- Secondary Department (in partnership with Fortismere Secondary School)

Pupils attend from approximately 15 Education Boroughs across & outside London

Outreach support service & training:

This is a support service for SLTs who work in other special schools, early years and mainstream services, who have deaf children on their caseloads and want advice / second opinion for therapy and for appropriate school placement.

Enfield

Enfield Speech and Language Therapy Update for CHSWG (21.06.2022) Staffing

- Cherry Bloss has joined the Enfield team She is covering Vicky's maternity leave. Her working days are Thursdays and Fridays. Cherry is working at Highlands (secondary deaf resourced base) and across mainstream and pre-school settings.
- ❖ Laura's working pattern remains the same Mondays, Tuesdays (full days) and Wednesdays (mornings only). Laura is working at Brimsdown (primary deaf resourced base) and also across mainstream and pre-school settings.
- ❖ Laura will be going on maternity leave, likely at the end of October. Management to look into maternity cover.

Current working

- Carrying out a combination of school visits, nursery visits and home visits.
- ❖ Joint working with ToDs.
- Video appointments can be offered if preferred.
- Outreach support provided to colleagues working with children with a mild hearing loss or those supporting children with deafness (but not considered child's primary need), where support requested by colleagues.

Updates

- ❖ Awaiting feedback about the Ordinarily Available Provision Project completed with ToDs at the end of last year.
- ❖ Have had a few enquiries about supporting hearing children with deaf parents and which pathway is best suited. Have agreed with EY managers that they will be seen

for initial assessment as part of the deafness pathway and then be transferred to the EY team for follow up. SLTs working in deafness can support EY SLTs as required. **Contact Details** Laura Kimmons E-mail: l.kimmons@nhs.net Telephone: 0208 702 5664 (calls) 07586 384 014 (text/whatsapp) Cherry Bloss E-mail: cherry.bloss1@nhs.net Office base: Cedar House, Gater Drive, Enfield, EN2 0JB Audiology NHSP Awaiting summary St Ann's Audiology: St Ann's Staffing+Capacity Naushin -band 7 back from mat leave. Kinjal Metha due to return in Oct after mat leave. Due to be x1 vacancy in the 2nd Tier Camden +Islington service-which we will be advertising for-but it is challenging to recruit to these posts at the moment. SAH+NHC are supporting long waiting lists at Barnet +Enfield 2nd tier service-so acknowledge that this will have an affect on our waiting times for both new and review patients-but particularly review patients. New patients are being prioritised. **Covid related issues** Continuing with wearing masks for both staff and patients. Hearing Aids/Marvel Subgroup No current issues. New fittings are all being fitted with Marvels and children upgraded as requested or as their review appointments come up. Awaiting summary Cedar House See attached PDF **RNENT** CHSWG service update **GOSH Updates**: We have moved to a brand-new department within the Sight and Sound building at Great Ormond Street Hospital last summer, settled in well.

	We are also getting involved in some research, however that is still in discussion.
	What is working well/not working well: Hearing aid service is very small. We only offer a HA service for highly complex patients. When we fit hearing aids and are happy that the patient's needs are being met, we try to discharge them to local however a lot of parents want to stay with us, but we do not have the capacity for this. BAHA service is growing. We made an excellent recovery after lockdown and our waiting lists are manageable.
	Queries: Some ToDs are requesting we use their referral forms; however, we see patients from all over the country, which means we a lot of different forms. Please except our letter as a referral as the letters are very comprehensive. We also ask parents to sign a GOSH transfer of information form. How can patients access BSL training/lessons do that in your area? We have had patients who have struggled with this.
NDCS	See attached PDF
Social Care	Awaiting summary