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National Service Framework for Children, Young People and Maternity Services in Wales

Progress Update May 2009





What is it?

- A 10 year strategy that sets national standards to improve & standardise service delivery for children & young people
- Delivered through partnership & collaboration across organisations
- It's development involved children's services professionals as well as children young people & their families.
- An annual SAAT audit of how partner organisations are delivering services





What is the point?

- The NSF was developed to ensure an integrated approach children's health and well being
- Recognised that children's health and well being was not just the responsibility of health services
- First national policy that was developed around the needs of children and not of the services (rights based approach)





How does it link in?

- Supports the 7 Core Aims & UN Convention on the Rights of the Child
- Used as part of the Needs Assessment process for CYPP plan and HSCWB Strategy
- Local NSF priorities fed into the CYP Plan
- Use SAAT data to inform local policy development & monitoring processes
- Able to monitor progress locally & nationally through the SAAT
- SAAT key element of retaining 'local' focus post NHS reforms



Welsh Policy Context

- The UNCRC
- Rights to Action
- The Children Act 2004
- NSF for Children, Young People & Maternity Services
- The Foundation Phase
- Flying Start
- Making the Connections agenda
- Fulfilled Lives, Supportive Communities
- Children and Young People's Plans



Welsh Policy Context

NSF Data has directly influenced new policy such as:-

- Vulnerable Children's Strategy
- Health Care Standards
- We Are On the Way
- Extending Entitlement (the review)
- The Rights into Action for Disabled Children and Young People Task Group
- CAMHS Review
- Communities First Guidance on Child Poverty





How is it being used?

- To plan service delivery
- For policy development
- For business planning purposes
- For local authority scrutiny processes
- Cabinet and governing boards
- Inspection purposes and to
- Support applications for funding





What effect has it had?

£9.975m secured in 08-10 for disabled children & parents and carers of disabled children.

- Short breaks.
- Play opportunities.
- Changing Places to widen access to cultural venues
- Early support materials
- Key transition workers
- ASD strategic action plan
- Raise awareness of benefits for parents and carers of disabled children.





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08/09 Chapter 5: Disabled Children and Young People

Total Number of actions: 37

!Provisional Information

- 24 actions improved on last year
- 13 actions have stayed the same
- None have scored lower than previous years
- Only action 5.37 one action scoring red





08/09 Chapter 5: Disabled Children and Young People

- Total Number of flagged actions: 10

!Provisional Information

- 6 of the flagged actions are recorded as fully met
- 3 of the flagged actions are recorded between 5-5.9
- Action 5.20 is recorded as partially met





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3 yearly review

To ensure the NSF remains relevant, fit for purpose and live to change

The scope of the review will cover the NSF document, standards and key actions, national and local organisations responsible for implementing the NSF and completion, use and monitoring of the SAAT



Summery of NSF survey results



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Respondents said that the NSF had improved service delivery mainly through improving partnership working

Most organisations are providing reports on NSF information mainly to CYP partnerships

Hardly any providing reports to voluntary organisations

CYP Partnerships should remain responsible for coordinating the NSF



Summery of NSF survey results



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Voluntary organisations are reported as being involved in NSF processes.

Most respondents replied that there isn't enough resources (staff & finance) to implement the NSF to its full effect

Not high enough of a priority due to competing pressures

Time consuming

Needs to link to other performance management systems





Chapter 5 Actions

Comments received from responsible organisations

5.1 = not always relevant

5.4 = need to refer to orange book review

5.10 = capacity recruitment & retention difficulties

5.14 = definition of equipment

5.15 = definition of leisure settings

5.17 = specialist wheelchair providers can't meet this target. This action will be affected by NHS reorganisation.

5.26 = different targets to other performance management tools

5.30 = last but one bullet point should be taken out



3 Yearly Review

Next Steps

- Awaiting WAG policy leads responses
- Implementation Support Manager to prepare a report on strengths, weaknesses and areas for improvement highlighted by the SAAT information





3 Yearly Review

Next Steps

- The establishment of a “Review Steering Group” comprising internal and external stakeholders and Chairs of the original NSF External Working Groups.
- Focus groups for a wide range of key stakeholders (including children and their families) to give their views on progress in implementing the NSF so far and to make recommendations



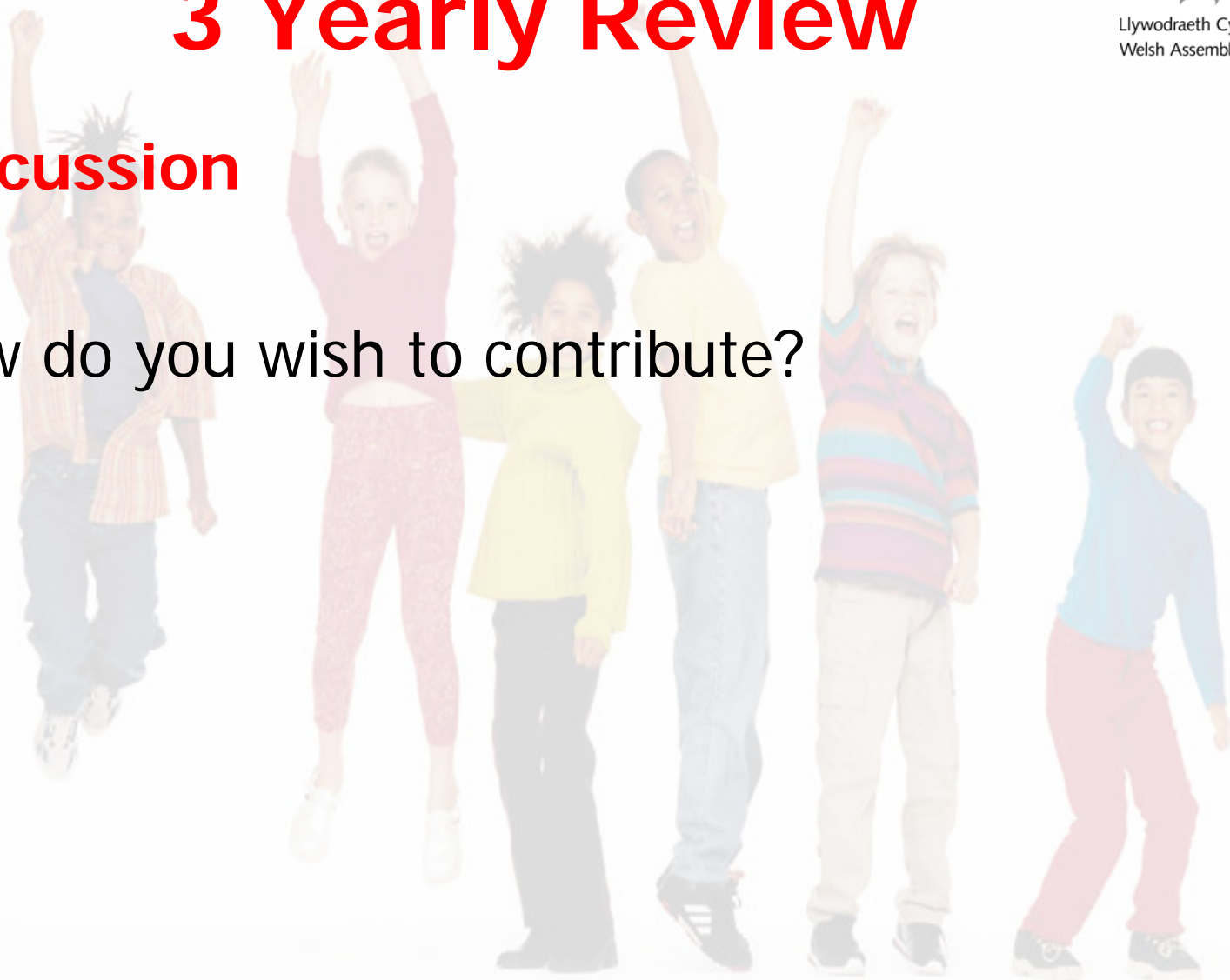


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Discussion

How do you wish to contribute?



What information is available?



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- National NSF reports available on the NSF Website

<http://www.wales.nhs.uk/sites3/home.cfm?OrgID=441>

- Analysis on a national level on a specific NSF action is available from NSF Implementation Manager
- For further information on the NSF & SAAT contact Nia Lewis on **02920468683** or nia.lewis@wlga.co.uk

