

# “Family Support”

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# Background

- Range of interventions, for example
  - Flying Start
  - Cymorth
  - Genesis Wales
- Are all these delivering the outcomes for families that we want to achieve??



# Vision

Families in Wales are able to access a package of support that is:

- Seamless
- Integrated
- Comprehensive



In realising this vision we want to:

- Strengthen families and help them to be self sufficient
- Build communities and help them to develop, linking with community driven initiatives
- Prevent children and families experiencing poverty, neglect or abuse



# What does this mean?

- **Family focused** – offering families the choice they need to help them escape poverty
- **Bespoke** – wherever possible tailoring support to individual families
- **Integrated** – help from different organisations that is effectively co-ordinated
- **Pro-active** – seeking out those families that need preventative help
- **Intensive** – a rigorous and relentless approach, adapting to meet the change in circumstances for families
- **Local** – reflecting the different dynamics in different communities



# Not about re-inventing the wheel

- We need to build on best practice
  - Team Around the Child
  - On Track
  - Flying Start
  - Learn from the new IFST project
- Also learn from best practice elsewhere in the UK and internationally



# Stronger Focus on Outcomes

- We must focus activity on what outcomes we want to achieve for children, young people and their families
- We must develop and improve our evidence base of what works and what does not
- Ensure that any performance management frameworks are aligned
- Greater integration of services delivery to deliver greater economy, efficiency and effectiveness



# Next Steps

- As part of the consultation on the Child Poverty Strategy we will be talking at events such as these
- Specific seminars and workshops over the coming months to capture best practice, consider fresh approaches and to 'co-produce' the way forward

