

Communication update on the Family and Children Early Intervention Team (FACEIT)



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This is the latest communication update for the newly formed FACEIT service.

Overview

Oxfordshire FACEIT is a partnership venture with Oxfordshire County Council and Oxfordshire PCT. The objective of the service is to strengthen targeted early intervention services for children (0 – 18yrs) to reduce the numbers of children in high cost, specialist services such as Social Care, CAMHS, looked after services and residential provision.

FACEIT started working with families at the end of September and requests for service are discussed weekly through meetings with locality co-ordinators. The FACEIT team consists of a mixture of skills based practitioners including Social Workers, Health Visitors, Occupational Therapists, Teachers and Counsellors. The teams work across the 13 localities.

The service builds on the work of PCAHMS and the implementation of the Common Assessment Framework by targeting those children who require a more intensive multiagency intervention often combined with family work. Interventions will routinely last for 6 months and will facilitate change to promote independence for families. The service will aim to work with about 350 to 400 children and families each year once fully implemented.

How to request a service:

Access to FACEIT is through Locality Co-ordinators.

Factors which support the request for service include:

- All children will require a CAF and either TAC/TAF in place or plan for TAC/TAF in place.
- The child's families needs cannot be met by the existing TAC team
- The child/families needs do not meet the criteria for specialist tier 3 services

Staffing details

The teams are not yet fully staffed. Vacancies remain for a Team Manager in the South and Case Workers in the North and Central areas. Recruitment processes are in place to recruit to these posts. Interim arrangements are in place to cover the South management post Helen Kilby (North FACEIT Manager) will cover this area of work until an appointment is made.

Planned Launches

Presentations to teams and launches at locality network meetings are already taking place.

If you would like FACEIT to present at your team meeting please contact Team Manager to arrange a date.

The following dates are for information – if you would like to attend a launch event please contact the relevant FACEIT Manager.

Central Locality

02.11.09 Florence Park Children Centre 10.30-11am
03.11.09 Rose Hill Children's Centre 12.30-1.30pm
04.11.09 South East Locality @ Pegasus Primary School 12.00-1.15pm
10.11.09 Grandpont Children Centre 11.30am-12.00pm
18.11.09 Cowley & Iffley Locality Network Meeting @St Gregory the Great 12.00-1.15pm
18.11.09 CAMHS team meeting Boundary Brook House 09.30-10.30am
18.11.09 North Oxford Children's Centre 1.30pm -2pm
25.11.09 Headington & Wheatley Locality Network Meeting 12.00.1.15pm venue TBC
25.11.09 Botley Childrens Centre 1pm-2pm

North Locality

03.11.09 West Oxford Locality Networking Meeting, Chipping Norton School, 12.00-2.00pm
16.11.09 Bicester Locality Networking Meeting, 12.30 Venue TBC

South Locality

19.11.09 Abingdon Locality Networking Meeting, Abingdon Children's Centre, 3.30
26.11.09 Wantage/Faringdon Locality Networking Meeting, 1.00pm Venue TBC
09.12.09 Didcot Locality Networking Meeting, St Birinus School, 3.45pm- 5pm

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