Neglect Matters

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The Barnsley Context

49k 0-17 live in Barnsley

24% are living in poverty

Barnsley is the 39 most deprived borough nationally

% Children CPP due to Neglect is 67%

Children likely to experience revolving front door to social care







Impact of Neglect

- We know that being neglected in childhood can have a profound impact on all areas of a child's development including:
 - Physical health, failure to thrive
 - Oral poor health
 - ❖Social exclusion and poor self esteem
 - Poor education attainment, lack of opportunity
 - ❖Risk of anti social behaviour, youth crime
 - ❖Risk of substance misuse



Partnership Working

- Supported by the BSCB and working in partnership with key agencies and the NSPCC we have developed the Barnsley Neglect Strategy
- Our aims are to increase professionals ability to recognise neglect in a timely manner and to effectively measure progress made



The Barnsley Neglect Strategy

- Early identification/intervention
- Understanding children's experiences
- Understanding of neglect and impact
- Evidence based assessment tool
- Engagement with families
- Reduction of the "revolving front" to social care





Neglect Strategy and GCP Tool

The neglect strategy sets out Barnsley's commitment to tackling neglect and how we will use the graded care profile 2 tool to identify:

- strengths/weaknesses
- what needs to be changed
- the base line and progress





Multi-Agency Launch

- Train the trainers in October 2017 (20 Champions)
- November 17th 2017 100 attended
- Aimed at professionals working with children and families
- We have trained over 400 professionals so far and are planning a further cohort of train the trainers





Neglect Sub Group

- Measuring success and progress
- Making links between neglect and: poverty, housing, oral health, obesity etc.
- Auditing multi-agency neglect work
- Linking with the NSPCC National Framework for the GCP 2
- Driving momentum to avoid progress stalling





Media Campaign

- We have worked with the Barnsley Chronicle to run a series of articles on neglect
- We have teamed up with Rowlands Pharmacy who are hosting the neglect awareness leaftlets
- We have carried out web based awareness and Q & A sessions





Next steps: working with the community







