



114
Participants



56 Parents
Attended



Event Satisfaction Feedback

Exceeded My
Expectation

57%

Met My
Expectation

41%

Did Not Met
Expectation

2%



Influence Change @DWTF14 · May 14

NNPCF believe families should be at the heart of decision making. Parent and their children's views should shape the reforms. #DWTF14

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NNPCF Brings all perspectives to the table and looks for solutions to provide services & support that parents want #DWTF14

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The Steering Group share experiences

Too many Acronyms used in speeches, not all parents understand jargon



Dudley Bliss @DudleyBliss · May 14

Dudley Parent Partnership will be transforming into an information and advice service for parents and young people up to 25 yrs. #DWTF14

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Dudley Bliss @DudleyBliss · May 14

Healthwatch welcomes the opportunity to work with the forum in innovative ways for making change #DWTF14

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Work with DMBC & CCG through Task and Finish Groups



Children's Integrated Care
4 parents signed up

Personal Budget
11 parents signed up

16-25 Transition
10 parents signed up

I found the event relevant & innovative! Good use of social media!

Panel questions should have been on screen whilst being answered



The Panel answer parent's questions

Voting on Panel questions should have been done by parent carers only



The Deputy Mayor opens the event



Dudley Bliss @DudleyBliss · May 14

We are voting on the answers of the panel. I think parents votes are outweighed by public sector staff answers. #DWTF14

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Will the forum go to schools & other groups explaining what they do?



Dudley Bliss @DudleyBliss · May 14

Tim Crumpton Cabinet member for children wants to join our forum to hear what we have to say! We need to hold them to account. #DWTF14

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What is a key worker? How do you get one? Why don't I have one?

Why is it such a struggle to get direct payments

Who ensures various departments communicating & work together?

Children with disabilities 5-16 get support, Pre or Post that there nothing!

Who ensures all parties involved in completing the EHCP will respond on time?

How do you find out about existing support when you first have a diagnosis?

Response to SEND reform survey

In the opinion of your forum, how ready is your local area to provide:

It was felt by the forum that our local area is in the 'early Stages' to provide statements a - g

- a) A coordinated 0-25 education, health and care assessment and planning process that is outcome focused and has children, families and young people at the centre?
- b) Joint commissioning structures across education, care and health, including processes for resolving disputes between partners?
- c) A helpful and informative 0-25 local offer with parent carers and young people?
- d) A transparent and challengeable process for personal budgets?
- e) A 0-25 pre-tribunal appeal mediation arrangement?
- f) Trial the reforms before full implementation?
- g) An information, advice and support service for children, young people and parents, covering educational needs, disability, health and social care?

To what extent has your Parent Carer Forum been engaged in:

The majority of parent carers felt that the forum had been engaged 'Quite a lot' in statements a and b

- a) Developing a coordinated 0-25 education, health and care assessment and planning process that is outcome focused and has children, families and young people at the centre?
- b) Setting up and strengthening joint commissioning structures across education, care and health, including processes for resolving disputes between partners?

The majority of parent carers felt that the forum had been engaged 'A little' in statements c-e

- c) Co-producing a helpful and informative 0-25 local offer with parent carers and young people?
- d) Assigning a transparent and challengeable process for personal budgets?
- e) Establishing 0-25 pre-tribunal appeal mediation arrangements?

The majority of parent carers felt that the forum had been engaged 'Quite a lot' in statements f and g

- f) Recruiting families to trial the reforms before full implementation?
- g) Developing an information, advice and support service for children, young people and parents, covering educational needs, disability, health and social care?

In the opinion of your forum:

The opinion of the forum was 'Yes' to statement a

- a) Do senior leaders within your Local Authority, including Elected Members, have a good understanding of the new legal requirements in the Children and Families Act, associated regulations and 0-25 SEND Code of Practice?

The opinion of the forum was 'In Part' to statement b - d

- b) Do staff within your Local Authority have the necessary skills to promote personalised approaches, so they understand and meet the needs of families and young people?
- c) Has a transition plan been finalised, working together with families and professionals, setting out when and how children and young people with existing SEN statements and LDAs will transfer to EHC plans?
- d) Have the processes and systems to deliver the reforms been established (including accountability, quality assurance, and IT and support systems)?

The opinion of the forum was 'No' to statement e

- e) Have plans been developed with parents, children and young people, to measure whether the experience of SEND services locally for parents, children and young people has improved?

In the view of your forum, to what extent are the following partners engaged in implementing the reforms?

	Fully	Quite alot	A little	Not at all
a) Education / schools			X	
b) Social Care			X	
c) Health		X		
d) The Voluntary Sector			X	
e) Post-16 Providers		X		

To what extent would you say your Local Authority is engaging young people directly in implementing the reforms?

The opinion of the forum was 'Little or no engagement'

How confident is your forum that from 1 September 2014:

The forum were 'not at all confident' in statements a - b

a) You will have a co-produced local offer in place and that new referrals for statutory assessments will be offered an integrated EHC assessment, the option of a personal budget and recourse to mediation?

b) Children and young people reaching a key transition point in 2014-15 (eg. early years to primary; primary to secondary; secondary to further education) will have their existing SEN statements transferred to EHC plans?

The forum were 'slightly confident' in statements c

c) Your local area will be ready to implement the SEND Reforms?