

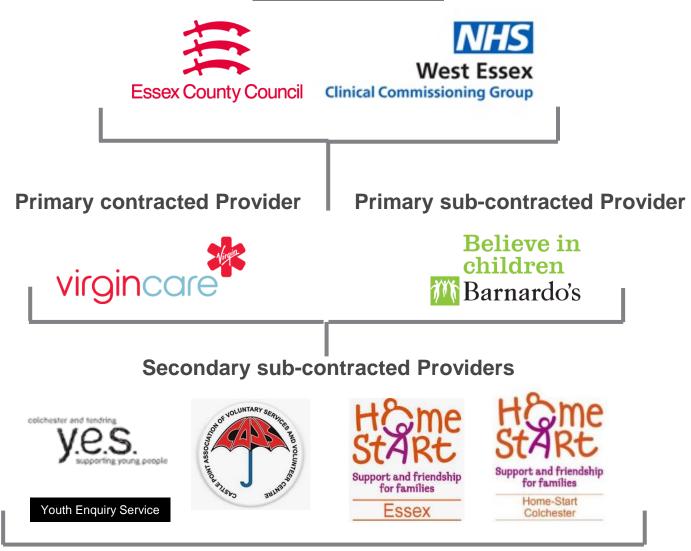


# Essex Child and Family Wellbeing Service Pre-Birth to 19: A New Vision for Essex



#### **Commissioners** and contractors

**Co-commissioners** 



# We're on a mission to give children and young people in Essex the best start in life

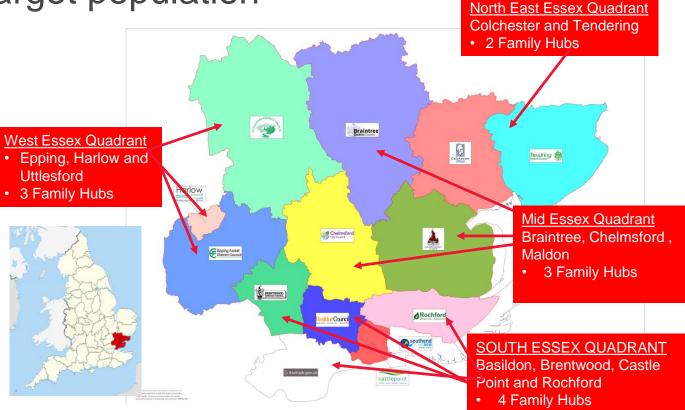
We know that supporting children and their families from conception, through birth and the early years, and into young adulthood will give them the best possible chance to succeed.

## About Essex and our target population

- 1.7m people
- Approx. 1,000 new births per month
- 85,000 zero to 4 year olds
- 235,000 four to 19 year olds
- 120,000 in primary school
- 80,000 in secondary school
- 520 schools

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- · West Essex children's community health services delivered from various sites
- There are 38 mandated service delivery sites for PB-19 provision 12 districts each with one Family Hub and additional satellite Delivery Sites
- Profiling of individuals to identify 'priority' groups for targeted support and interventions at a local level e.g. Non-working households, Traveller families and those with other vulnerabilities that can result in inequalities facing children



## In the past, we worked on a **deficit model:**

All too often, professionals have been tasked with identifying what is wrong or what is missing — seeing presenting problems and then stepping in to fix things.

# We now know we must start with family capability:

We need to start here, with what people can do. We need to understand how to build and grow it, embedding the principle and practice of early intervention anticipating what families might need and supporting them before they struggle.

## Essex County Council and NHS West Essex

co-developed a New System Vision with Essex residents:

#### We will...



Look first at families' strengths especially those of parents (both Mums and Dads) and take time to understand their needs fully



Focus on preventing problems before they occur and offer flexible, responsive support when and where it's required



Build the resilience of parents and communities to support each other



Work together across the whole system – aligning our resources so we can best support families and 'do what needs to be done when it needs to be done' (not necessarily what is on our job description)



Base all we do on evidence of both what is needed and of what works, and be brave enough to stop things that aren't working



Be clear and consistent about the outcomes we expect, and judge what we do against them

#### We will know our system is successful if it delivers these outcomes:



#### Children...

Are physically and emotionally healthy

Are resilient and able to learn well

Are supported by their families, their community, and - when necessary - professionals to thrive and be successful

Live in environments that are safe and support their learning and development



#### Parents...

Are supporting one another in their communities Know where to get help if they need it

Have trusted relationships with practitioners, neighbours and other parents

Are well informed about how best to help their child develop, and motivated to make great choices



#### Communities...

See it as their collective responsibility to support parents and young children

Are providing sustainable support through individuals, community groups, businesses and voluntary organisations

Are seen, understood and valued by practitioners as being 'part of the solution'



Focus first on families and their strengths

Work closely with families to understand what they need, and build trusting relationships

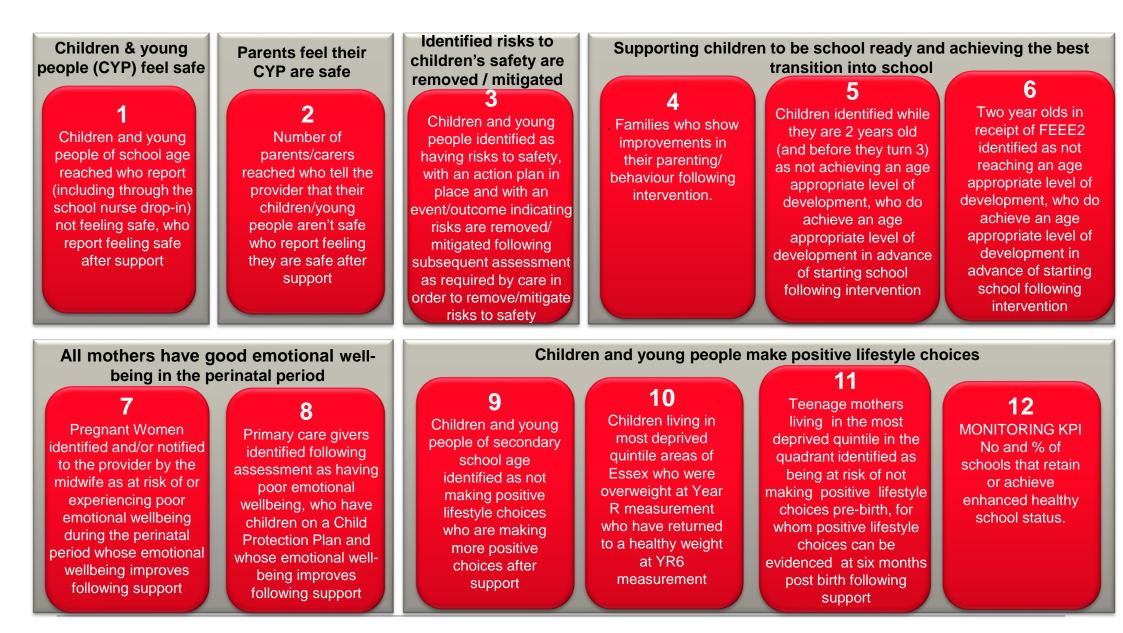
Have a shared vision and understanding of outcomes and success

Are skilled, knowledgeable and are co-creating and co-delivering approaches that work

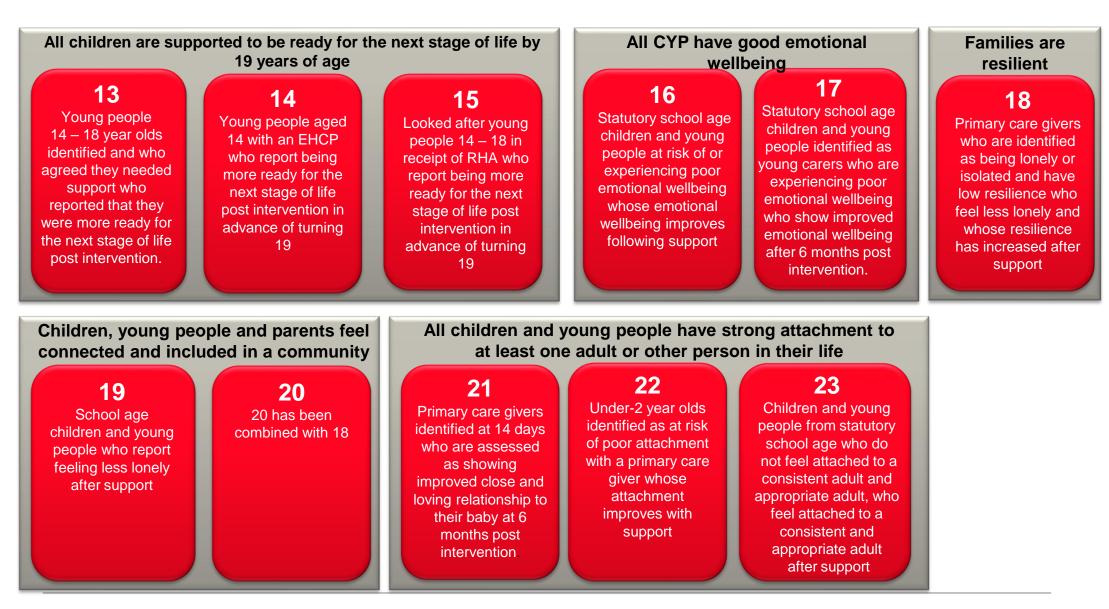
#### What we as Commissioners asked for

Provide a more flexible support model for families and children throughout childhood, by freeing up staff currently tied to Children Centre buildings		u <b>b</b> I Centre) The 12	Create 26 Family Hub delivery sites, and a network of outreach sites taking services to where parents/ families actually need them		Create an integrated Pre-Birth to 19 workforce galvanised around a common set of outcomes, as articulated in the Our System Vision		Reduce the pressures on expensive, acute/ crisis intervention services & systems such as Accident and Emergency, GP services and Children's Social Care
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Specific Outcome Measures for West Essex CCG-funded community children's services

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Children and young people avoid hospital for their healthcare	Children and young people feel confident and competent to manage their health condition at home	Parents and Carers feel confident and competent to manage their child/young person's health condition in the community	Multi-disciplinary assessments and planning reduce duplication, improve communication and family experience	Young people and their families experience a safe and high quality transition to adult services

## An Integrated Pre-Birth to 19 Health, Well-being and Family Support Services (PB19) delivered by Virgincare In partnership with Barnardos



#### Four geographic quadrants

- North East (Colchester, Tendring)
- Mid (Braintree, Chelmsford, Maldon)
- South (Basildon, Brentwood, Rochford, Castle Point)
- West (Harlow, Epping Forest, Uttlesford)

**One integrated service across West Essex** 

## Family Support to boost Public Health Outcomes

#### **Tripartite system**

Family, Community and School support are intertwined to improve public health outcomes for children, young people and families.



# Identifying individuals in need of support

#### **Assessment Points / Points of identification:**

- Antenatal Contact (universal and targeted)
- New Birth visit
- 6 8 week check
- Health Visitor Led drop-in 50 hours per week in Family Hubs
- 1 and 2 year visit which include holistic review of emotional wellbeing
- Single Point of Contact
- Universal Services within the Family Hub
- School Entry Screen
- School Based School Nurse Drop-in
- CHAT Health
- A&E and DV notifications
- Minimum 6 monthly reviews for LAC Children
- Social Media, Facebook particularly
- Website
- Referrals ie from GPs, Schools, Voluntary Sector and Early Year Providers
- Population Health Needs assessment to target universal activities at the needs of the local community / Family Hub reach area

# We know that parents are key

Parents are children's first and most enduring educators. Building the capability and capacity of parents and family members to support themselves and support one another must be central to our approach.

# **Working in partnership with Families**

- Home based coaching 1-1 using an emotion coaching model
  - MESCH Programme
  - Brazelton
- Evidence based group interventions
  - Incredible Years Parenting Programme
  - Relax Kids
  - Baby Massage
  - Go Girls
  - Freedom Programme
- Structured courses (ie: Adult community Learning)
  - First Aid
  - English and Maths
- Solution Focused Brief Intervention via drop-in
- Universal Service Offer –Linked with public health outcomes
- Telephone Information Advice and Guidance
  - CHAT Health
  - Duty Practitioner





# **Working in partnership with Schools**

- Training for School Staff
  - Understanding Health of your pupils
  - Challenging and identifying Risky Behaviours
  - School Meals
- Curriculum guidance
  - PHSEe Offer
- Healthy Schools Programme
  Foundation & Enhanced
- Support to establish behaviour change interventions
  - Daily Mile
  - Risky Behaviours
- Access to wider Public Health initiatives and support
  - Risk Avert
  - School Sports Premium
  - School Meals Advice
- Public Health Bulletins
- Information sharing

# **Working in partnership with Communities**

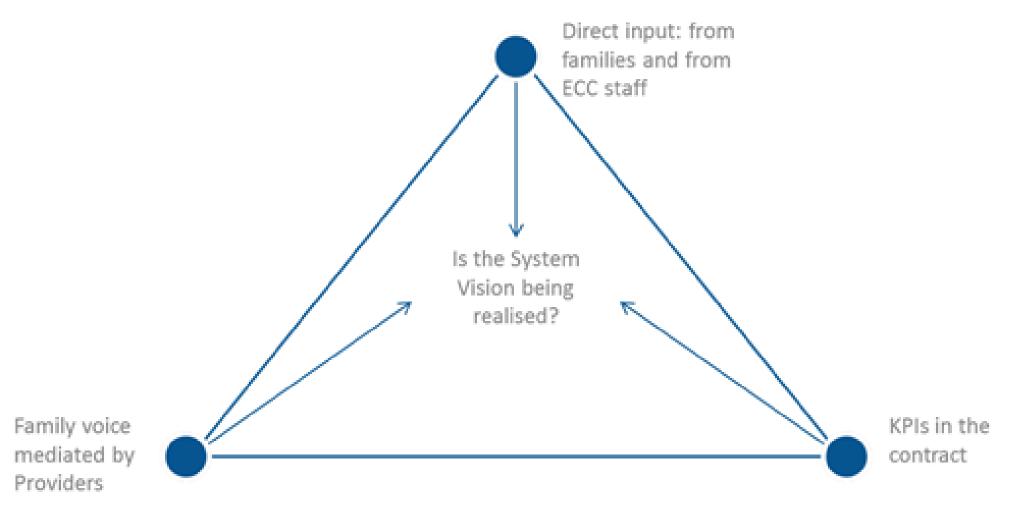
- Asset based approach
  - Community Groups
  - Voluntary Sector Services
  - Community Safety
  - Partnership Working
- Population needs assessment
  - Anecdotal Data
  - Health Needs Assessments
  - Census Data
- Training for Volunteers
  - Breastfeeding Peer Supporters
  - Session Leaders
  - Coaching and Mentoring
  - Apprenticeships

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- Initiation of Parent / community led services
  - Peer Support Groups
  - Parent Led Services



# How do we know our service works?



#### **19** Virgin Care in partnership with Barnardo's

### How we know we are effective

- We work closely with individuals, families and communities across Essex to ensure the family and voice is effectively captured.
- The feedback we receive is used to improve and inform service design, development and delivery.
- We capture feedback by:
  - The NHS Friends and Family Test (How likely are you to recommend our service to a friend or family member?)
  - Citizen's Panels (themes fed-into Family Hub Advisory Board meetings)
  - Compliments and Complaints (themes fed-into Quality and Safety meetings)
  - You Said, We Did







## Working in this way we are confident that together we are delivering...

- **Genuinely strengths-based work** that is not orientated around services or family failure
- Better outcomes for children especially the most disadvantaged
- More confident parents who are less reliant on the usual touch points (e.g. GPs, A&E)
- A reduction in Health inequalities
- A truly integrated system, where families tell their story only once and always get the support they require.
- Essex children especially the most disadvantaged living in communities where they feel more loved, valued, supported and included than ever before....

