

Reference: FOI.ICYB-2526/310

Subject: Children and Young People (CYP) Leads, Budgets and Toolkits and Neighbourhood Health Service

I can confirm that the ICB does hold some of the information requested; please see responses below:

QUESTION	RESPONSE
<p>Section 1: Information about completing this FOI request</p> <p>a. Who has contributed to this FOI response? Please provide job titles, not names.</p>	<p>Head of Children's Services Senior Performance Improvement Manager Design lead – Transformation hub Deputy Head of Acute Contracts</p>
<p>Section 2: Information about children and young people</p> <p>a. Do you have an Executive Lead for Children and Young People (0-25)? [Y/N].</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If yes, what is their name and email address? <p>b. Please can you share your ICB's plans or strategies relating to children and young people?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Within these plans or strategies, please can you highlight where therapeutic play (sometimes referred to as health play) or play is featured? <p>c. Do you have any guidance/policies on how play should be delivered in the healthcare settings in your ICB? [Y/N]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If yes, please share it with us if you can. 	<p>a. Yes, Chief Nursing Officer, Rosi Shepherd. Enquires should be sent to bnssg.customerservice@nhs.net</p> <p>b. See link below: Joint Forward Plan 2025/2030 – currently undergoing update for 2026/27 onwards. Joint Forward Plan 2025 to 2030 - BNSSG Healthier Together Therapeutic play or health play does not feature in the plan.</p> <p>See link below: All Age Mental Health and Wellbeing Strategy https://bnssghealthiertogether.org.uk/our-work/mental-health-strategy/ Therapeutic play or health play does not feature in the plan.</p> <p>c. The ICB does not hold this information. Please contact providers Bristol NHS Group; North Bristol NHS Trust (NBT): FOIRequests@nbt.nhs.uk</p>

	University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust (UHBW): FreedomOfInfo@uhbw.nhs.uk
<p>Section 3: Information about play budgets</p> <p>a. Does your ICB have an annual budget/fund specifically for play in healthcare? [Y/N]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If yes: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. How much was this budget/fund in FY24-25 (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)? ii. What percentage/proportion of funding in paediatric services was allocated to play services in FY24-25 (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)? 	No
<p>Section 4: Information about the Play Well Toolkit</p> <p>a. Has your ICB adopted or committed to adopt the Play Well guidelines (NHS England, 2025) in your commissioning of paediatric services? [Y/N]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If not, please say why not. <p>b. Does your ICB follow the NICE guideline on Babies, children and young people's experience of healthcare (NICE, 2021)? [Y/N]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If yes, what measures has your ICB put in place to implement that part of NICE's guidance specifically on play in healthcare? [Y/N] 	The ICB does not hold this level of detail in the paediatric services contract. Please contact providers - Bristol NHS Group, contact details above.

Section 5: Information about measurement tools for 0-17 year olds

a. Do any of the non-mental healthcare settings in your ICB collect any data on children and young people's mental health? [Y/N]. If yes, please share the measurement tools if you can.

- Do any of these data relate to mental health indicators arising from patients' healthcare experiences? [Y/N]

a. Yes, data is received in relation to patients being admitted in crisis or with eating disorders.

- No

Section 6: Information about your ICB's Neighbourhood Health Service

a. Does your ICB's Neighbourhood Health and Care Model feature or mention play in healthcare? [Y/N]. If yes, please share where it is featured if you can.

b. Does your ICB host any of the Neighbourhood Health Service pilot areas? [Y/N]

- If yes, how many?
- If yes, do these pilot areas include children and young people's multi-disciplinary teams? [Y/N]
 - i. If yes, do these children and young people's multi-disciplinary teams include health play professionals (e.g., community health play specialists)? [Y/N]
 - ii. If yes, within these pilot areas, does the integration with wider services include the

a. Neighbourhood Health and Care Model is currently in development

b. Yes, 3 PCNs (Primary Care Networks) and UHBW are piloting 'Paediatric hubs'

Woodspring and South Bristol localities were accepted as participants in the NHS National Neighbourhood Health Implementation Programme (NNHIP) aimed to help develop and test neighbourhood models. The current focus is on adults with long term conditions and rising risk, not children. However, work continues locally to develop these models to ensure support the full family unit including children.

- i. No

involvement of any play services or projects? [Y/N]	
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The information provided in this response is accurate as of 18 December 2025 and has been approved for release by David Jarrett, Chief Delivery Officer for NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB.