Parenting Support & CYPSC

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Parenting Support Champions Project, Planning & Networking Day

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Local interagency structures to improve outcomes for children & young people

- Committees are responsible for improving the lives of children, young people and families throughout the county at local and community level
- Age remit: 0 – 24 years
- Bring together a diverse group of public and not-for-profit organisations in local county areas
- Engage in joint planning and co-ordination of services for children and young people
- First four Committees established in 2007; currently 23 committees in 23 counties or 27 local authority areas – at 88% coverage.

- National roll out ongoing - all counties in Ireland will have a CYPSC
Connectivity between CYPSC and TUSLA PPFS

Department of Children and Youth Affairs

National CYPSC Steering Group

Individual County / Area CYPSC

Office of TUSLA COO

TUSLA

Area Manager

Senior Manager for Prevention, Partnership and Family Support

Child and Family Support Networks Co-ordinator

CYPSC Chairperson

CYPSC Sub Group: Prevention, Partnership and Family Support Steering Committee

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Child and Family Support Network

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• **G2.** Ensure planning and co-ordination of parenting supports at local level through Children’s Services Committees [now CYPSC].

*(Tusla, DCYA, DJE, HSE, Local Government)*

BOBF. Pg.28
Role of the CYPSC Co-ordinator

• support the establishment and development of the CYPSC and its sub-groups;

• communicate a clear sense of purpose and direction on behalf of the CYPSC;

• co-ordinate the development and implementation of the CYPSC’s 3-year Children and Young People’s Plan;

• assist the overall committee and sub-groups to implement the 3-year work plan and monitor progress in line with the five national outcomes for children and young people as set out in *Better Outcomes, Brighter Futures*
1. How are CYPSC addressing BOBF, G2?

**Organisation** e.g. sub groups, working groups, plans

**Information gathering** e.g. mapping, desk research, survey

**Information dissemination** e.g. directory, website, calendar

**Delivery** e.g. programmes, groups
2. What are the challenges?

Co-ordination
- Buy-in from agencies.
- Moving beyond information sharing
- Communication across boundaries
- Changes in personnel
- Competition
- Referral systems

Information gathering
- Data collection, data sharing
- Information sharing
- Data protection
2. What are the challenges?

**Provision**
- Resourcing
- Distribution
- Quality assurance

**Policy**
- Commissioning
- Change in CCC remit
- PPFS
3. Perceived successes

**Co-ordination**
- Added value
- Information sharing
- ID gaps and needs
- Mapping
- Trust

**Information provision**
- Access

**Provision**
- Engagement with “seldom heard”
- Earlier intervention
4. Measuring progress:

- Children and Young People's Plan
- Indicator, e.g. removal from Child protection notification system
- Consumer feedback / experience
- Programme evaluation
On-line supports
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