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highlighting the latest news, events, reports, research and other
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National Child and Maternal Health Intelligence Network news

Special issue
If you haven’t had chance to read last week’s eBulletin, which was a special issue highlighting
resources published during the pre-election period, you can download it here.
Special issue: 21 March – 8 May 2015

Promoting young people’s health literacy
The Association for Young People’s Health (AYPH) has published the first research update in
a new Exploring Evidence series. The update, produced with support from the National Child
and Maternal Health Intelligence Network, looks at what we know about health literacy and
health-seeking behaviour among young people. It summarises interesting new research on
this topic and alerts readers to other useful resources.
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In the news

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Imperial College London: GP out-of-hours and pay reforms linked to more emergency admissions for children
Government reforms of GP working practices in 2004 were associated with a rise in potentially avoidable emergency admissions for children, a study has found.

NHS England: Mental health staff working with police and courts now cover half of England
Sixteen new ‘Liaison and Diversion’ (L&D) teams, which make sure people with mental health conditions, learning disabilities or other vulnerabilities are supported in police custody and the courts, are now up and running, bringing the total to 26 schemes nationwide and covering 28.5 million people or half of the country.

UK Health Forum: Proportion of overweight and obese males and females to increase in most European countries by 2030, say latest projections by WHO
Europe will face an obesity crisis of enormous proportions by 2030, according to the latest projections released by the World Health Organization Regional Office for Europe (WHO) at this year’s European Congress on Obesity (ECO).

NIHR: World first for artificial pancreas study
The world’s first natural birth using an artificial pancreas has taken place using technology being tested as part of the University of Cambridge’s Closed Loop in Pregnancy study.

Cardiff University: Serious violence in England and Wales drops 10% in 2014
Numbers of people injured in serious violence dropped by 10% in 2014 compared to 2013, with violence against children and adolescents down 18%, according to an England and Wales study by Cardiff University.

EIF: No child left behind
This blog post discusses the transfer of the 0-5 year elements of the Healthy Child Programme to local authorities later this year.

NSPCC: Update for Directors of Public Health: Identifying ‘invisible’ babies
The NSPCC has asked all Directors of Public Health to complete an online survey on the number of pregnant women and babies living in socially excluded families in their local area. Thank you to those who have already filled in the survey. Please note that the deadline for completion has been extended to Friday 29th May 2015 - please contact Alice Haynes (Alice.Haynes@nspcc.org.uk) with any queries.
NSPCC: Exam stress becomes top concern
ChildLine has revealed that for the first time ever school and education problems emerged as a top concern among those contacting the helpline in 2013/14.

Guides and practice

What early years providers need to know about supporting young children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) and their families
These questions and answers have been informed by the SEND guide for early years settings and are designed to support those specifically working with young children.

The learning exchange
Family Action is being funded by the DfE to deliver a new programme ‘Increasing the provision of high-quality, inclusive school-based childcare for 0-5s with SEND’, which aims to increase the provision and improve the quality of inclusive childcare for 0-5s with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND). This website will feature news, tip sheets, templates and case studies based on the project.

The Communication Trust: early years resources
This webpage features resources developed by the Communication Trust to support work in the early years, including information about children’s communication development and how to identify and support children with speech, language and communication needs.

Mental health act: code of practice fact sheets
These easy read factsheets explain the parts of the Mental Health Act Code of Practice that are most important to patients and carers, including their rights and choices, what information patients should get if they are sectioned and what health professionals should or shouldn't do.

Reports

What About Youth (WAY) survey 2014: questions to gather local authority preferences. Outcomes paper
The Health and Social Care Information Centre ran a short survey to hear the views of potential users of WAY data on the planned outputs of the report. This paper presents the findings.

Alcohol consumption and harmful drinking: trends and social disparities across OECD countries. OECD health working papers no. 79.
This paper illustrates trends and social disparities in alcohol consumption and harmful drinking in 20 OECD countries.
The urban disadvantage: state of the world’s mothers 2015
The 16th annual State of the World’s Mothers report delves into a comparison of the health disparities between wealthy and poor women and children living in cities around the world. It includes the annual Mothers’ Index which assesses the well-being of mothers and children in 179 countries, including the UK, showing where they fare best and where they face the greatest hardships.

The connected school: a design for well-being
This new series of essays explores the importance of relationships and the significance of schools building a sense of well-being in pupils alongside academic achievement.

Together for Short Lives has launched a new three year strategy designed to lead lasting change for children’s palliative care. The strategy focuses on five key priority areas: providing information and advice to families; improving the quality of life and death for children and young people; strengthening the commissioning of services so providers are more sustainable; transforming transitions for young people and increasing community engagement and volunteering in children’s palliative care.

Challenging children’s inactivity
In 2014, Fit For Sport conducted a simple physical activity test to assess key indicators of health and physical literacy of primary age children in 80 schools across the UK. This report includes some of the key findings.

Children and clinical research: ethical issues
This report looks at how children and young people can ethically be involved in research, and makes recommendations about the roles and responsibilities of children, their parents or guardians, researchers and others.

Children’s views on their lives and well-being in 15 countries: an initial report on the children’s worlds survey, 2013-14
This report on the second wave of the Children’s Worlds survey presents findings from over 30,000 children aged 10 to 12 from 15 countries across four continents. It provides new comparative insights into the context of children’s lives, how children spend their time and how they feel about their lives.

Child-friendly justice: perspectives and experiences of professionals on children’s participation in civil and criminal judicial proceedings in 10 EU member states
Each year thousands of children take part in criminal and civil judicial proceedings, affected by parental divorce or as victims or witnesses to crime. This report from the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights investigates whether children’s rights are respected in these proceedings in 10 EU member states, including the UK.
Tools and data

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Research

The full versions of some of these resources may only be available with a paid subscription. For information on how you may be able to access them please view our Accessing Knowledge Hub resources page.

Impact of UK primary care policy reforms on short-stay unplanned hospital admissions for children with primary care–sensitive conditions
This study aimed to assess the impact of UK primary care policy reforms implemented in April 2004 on potentially avoidable unplanned short-stay hospital admissions for children with primary care–sensitive conditions.

A healthy start: promoting mental health and well-being in the early primary school years
This article describes a longitudinal study which sought to identify the risk and promotive factors as young children move from the early to junior years in primary school.

Teaching approaches and strategies that promote healthy eating in primary school children: a systematic review and meta-analysis
The aim of this review was to: 1) perform a systematic review of randomised controlled, quasi-experimental and cluster controlled trials examining the school-based teaching interventions that improve the eating habits of primary school children; and 2) perform a meta-analysis to determine the effect of those interventions.

A whole-of-population study of term and post-term gestational age at birth and children’s development
The aim of this study was to examine the risk of poor child development according to week of gestation at birth, among children born \(=37\) weeks’ gestation.

Association between participation in outdoor play and sport at 10 years old with physical activity in adulthood
This study aimed to investigate whether active outdoor play and/or sports at age 10 is associated with sport/physical activity at 32 year follow-up using a birth cohort study.
Melanoma incidence in children and adolescents: decreasing trends in the United States
The aim of this study was to assess trends in the incidence of melanoma in children and adolescents in the US from 2000-2010.

Prenatal second-hand smoke exposure measured with urine cotinine may reduce gross motor development at 18 months of age
The aim of this study was to evaluate the association of second-hand smoke exposure of pregnant mothers using urine cotinine with the neurodevelopment of their children at 18 months of age in the mother-child cohort in Crete (Rhea Study).

Using a virtual environment to study pedestrian behaviors: how does time pressure affect children's and adults' street crossing behaviors?
The aim of this study was to examine how crossing under time pressure influences the pedestrian behaviors of children and adults.

Exploration of preterm birth rates associated with different models of antenatal midwifery care in Scotland: unmatched retrospective cohort analysis
The researchers sought to compare preterm birth rates for mixed-risk pregnant women accessing antenatal care organised at a freestanding midwifery unit and mixed-risk pregnant women attending an obstetric unit with related community-based antenatal care.

Mighty mums – an antenatal health care intervention can reduce gestational weight gain in women with obesity
In this pilot study from antenatal health care in Gothenburg, a co-ordinated project with standardised care, given by midwives and supported by dietitians, aimed at reducing weight gain in obese pregnant women, is evaluated.

‘Oh no, no, no, we haven’t got time to be doing that’: challenges encountered introducing a breast-feeding support intervention on a postnatal ward
The aim of this study was to identify elements in the environment of a postnatal ward which impacted on the introduction of a breast-feeding support intervention.

Introducing consultant outpatient clinics to community settings to improve access to paediatrics: an observational impact study
In line with a national policy to move care ‘closer to home’, a specialist children's hospital in the NHS in England introduced consultant-led ‘satellite’ clinics to two community settings for general paediatric outpatient services. This study evaluated these satellite clinics to inform further development and identify lessons for stakeholders.

Health in overweight children: 2-year follow-up of Finnmark Activity School—a randomised trial
The aim of this study was to compare a comprehensive lifestyle intervention for overweight children performed in groups of families with a conventional single-family treatment.

Digital marketing of unhealthy foods to Australian children and adolescents
The aim of this study was to perform an audit of new media for three top selling food and beverage brands in Australia.

State-of-the-art office-based interventions to eliminate youth tobacco use: the past decade
This report updates a “state-of-the-art” article published a decade ago on office-based interventions to address tobacco use in youth and parents.

Socioeconomic variation in the incidence of childhood coeliac disease in the UK
This study aimed to estimate current diagnostic patterns among children and how they vary by socioeconomic group.

“Is this normal? Is this not normal? There is no set example”: sexual health intervention preferences of LGBT youth in romantic relationships
In efforts to inform future dyadic sexual health interventions for LGBT youth, this couple-based study aimed to identify the most salient sexual and relationship concerns of young same-sex couples and to assess their preferences for intervention content and format.

Findings from the first wave of the ISCWeB project: international perspectives on child subjective well-being (special issue)
The articles in this special issue present important findings from the International Survey of Children’s Well-Being (ISCWeB), showcase the ISCWeB project as a whole and offer avenues for further work. ISCWeB is a world-wide research project on child subjective well-being, based solely on children's own evaluations, perceptions and aspirations.

Consultations

Specialised services – consultation on children’s epilepsy surgery specification
NHS England has launched a public consultation on proposed changes to its service specification for children’s epilepsy surgery services. The consultation period will end on 18th June 2015.

Consultation on standards for the non-specialist emergency care of children
The Royal College of Surgeons (RCS) is consulting on new standards for the non-specialist emergency surgical care of children. The aim of the standards is to ensure emergency surgical services for young people meet expected levels of quality and attain excellent outcomes in relation to governance, organisation of care, patient experience, training and
service delivery. The consultation will close on 26th June 2015.

Events

For details of these and many other events see the calendar of events on our website.

**Mental health act accessible code of practice briefing events**
This event is to tell attendees about new fact sheets Inclusion North have designed on the Mental Health Act Code of Practice for people with learning disabilities, autism or other people who may have communication and/or cultural needs.

Location: London
Start date: Wednesday, 27th May 2015

**The future of maternity services and pre and postnatal care**
This briefing event offers delegates the opportunity to explore and examine the recent changes to NICE guidelines and the future of midwifery.

Location: London
Start date: Thursday, 28th May 2015

**Intimate partner violence and abuse: concerns and implications for practice and current thinking across cultures**
This conference is designed for delegates to focus on their practice when working with individuals and families who are impacted by intimate violence and abuse.

Location: London
Start date: Friday, 19th June 2015

**Transforming children and young people’s mental health services conference**
The Children and Young People’s Mental Health and Wellbeing Taskforce report Future in Mind recommends a complete overhaul in service provision and commissioning and a fundamental culture shift. This conference examines key topics including reviewing the key recommendations of ‘Future in Mind’ to initiate service transformation and overcoming complex commissioning arrangements to deliver effective services with long-term outcomes.

Location: London
Start date: Thursday, 25th June 2015

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