

# The Route to Health Improvement

## Notable Practice Case Study

<b>This practice relates to one (or more) of the below key features :</b>				
Corporate Culture	Policy Development ✓	Collaboration ✓	Capacity Building	Governance

### **Background & Context:**

In November 2006, a multi-agency Task Group was established by the Gwynedd Health, Social Care and Well-being Partnership Board and the Gwynedd Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership to co-ordinate and oversee the publication of 'Gwynedd Children and Young People Today' – a detailed and comprehensive assessment of the well-being and needs of the children, young people and families of Gwynedd. The purpose of 'Gwynedd Children and Young People Today' is to inform the development of the Gwynedd Children and Young People's Plan and shape the priorities of the Health, Social Care and Well-being Strategy towards children, young people and their families.

### **Description & Characteristics:**

The Task Group consists of representatives from a range of different agencies involved in promoting the health and well-being of children, young people and families. The Task Group is chaired by the Local Director of Public Health and is supported by the two teams responsible for co-ordinating the development of the Children and Young People's Plan and the Health, Social Care and Well-being Strategy. The Health, Social Care and Well-being Partnership Board and Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership have each contributed £4,000 towards the cost of developing and publishing 'Gwynedd Children and Young People Today'.

### **Why was/is this initiative/approach successful?**

Promoting the health and well-being of children, young people and their families is everyone's business. However, the extent to which children, young people and their families experience positive well-being is determined to a large degree by the decisions and actions of groups, organisations and agencies represented on the Health, Social Care and Well-being Partnership Board and the Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership. By working together to produce and publish 'Gwynedd Children and Young People Today', the two partnerships have been able to pool and share resources (both financial and human) and expertise to create a document that will allow them to develop a shared understanding of the well-being and needs of children, young people and their families which will, in turn, influence and shape the development and delivery of the Health, Social Care and Well-being Strategy and the Children and Young People's Plan.

## Measures of Success:

The publication of 'Gwynedd Children and Young People Today' will be one measure of success.

However, the true measure of success will be the extent to which the two partnerships will use the document to develop and agree on joint-priorities for children, young people and their families to be included in the Health, Social Care and Well-being Strategy and the Children and Young People's Plan. Success will also be measured by the extent to which key partner agencies (e.g. the Council and LHB) use 'Gwynedd Children and Young People Today' to inform and reconfigure their respective commissioning processes.

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