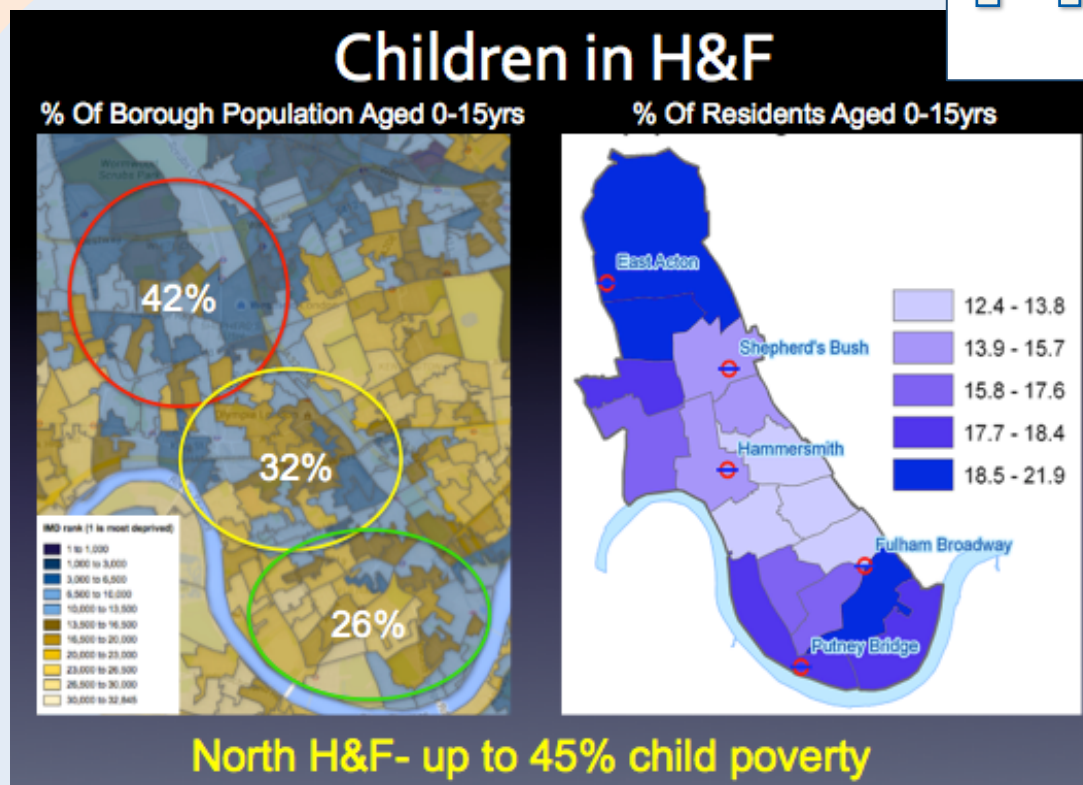


Planning the year



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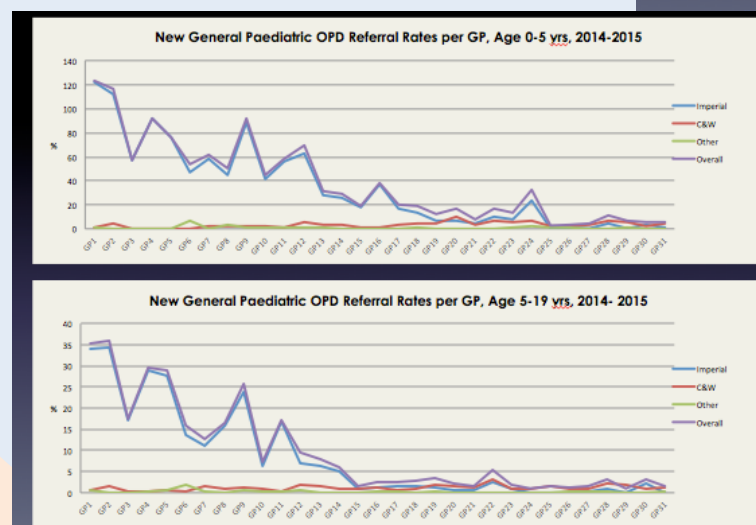
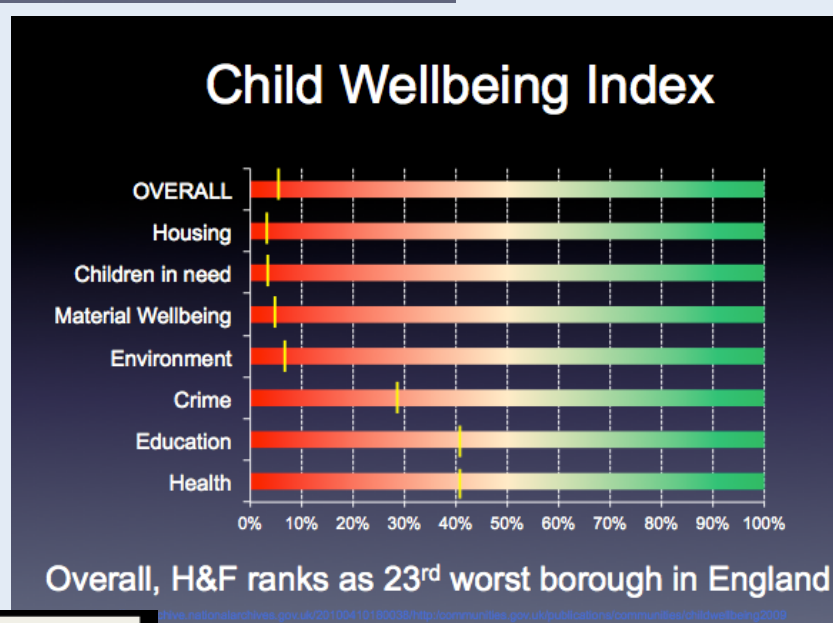


The first step was getting a good understanding of local context. To do this we obtained and analyzed data from CCG and public health, did a mapping exercise and looked at best practice.

Understanding the context

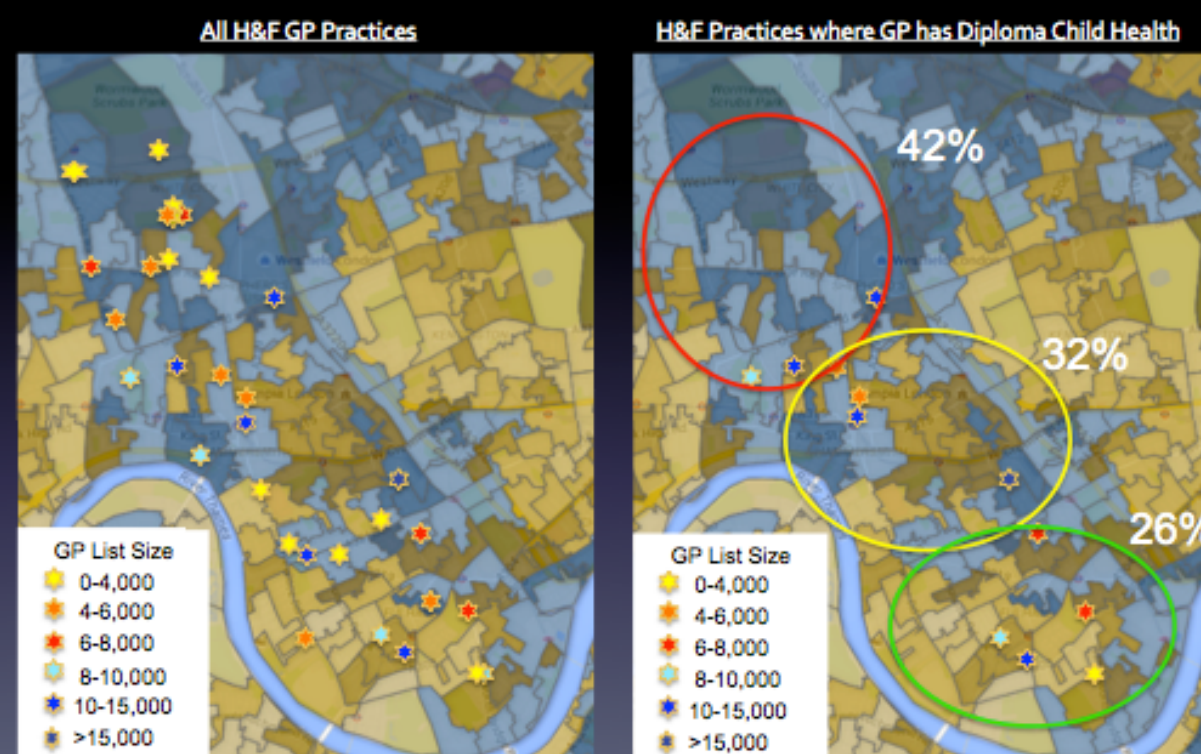
GP practices in north H&F are small, with only one GP training practice, and face the challenges to funding and workload that accompany deprivation. Recruitment is difficult, and asset mapping revealed a deficit of GPs with additional child health qualifications. Thus provision of care is most challenged where child need is greatest.

H&F is demographically and socio-economically polarized, with north H&F characterized by deprivation and younger age. Social factors contribute to low borough child wellbeing and impact on public service use, including rising walk-in attendances at a children's unit (CAU) located at the heart of this north H&F community.



Presenting GP referral data so that practices were arranged north to south highlighted the importance and role of CAU as a community resource for local families and professionals. But although 26% of all <5 year olds in north H&F use it yearly, it was at risk of losing walk-in access.

GP Skill-mix and Practice Size in H&F (2016)



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