

SWL CYP Network – Long Term Conditions Workstream

SW London Collaborative Commissioning: Wandsworth, Croydon, Merton, Sutton, Kingston and Richmond

# Aims

* To identify areas of good practice within sector
* To map services to developing London Asthma Standards
* To develop systems and education to improve consistency of asthma services within the sector.

# Rationale

Local review indicated a large variation in performance between and within boroughs.

# What did we do?

1. Workstream meetings including multiagency staff from across all boroughs.

2. Identification of good practice (i.e. Croydon Asthma Nurses)

3. Primary Care Survey to identify variation in resource and future needs

4. Joint education sessions (GP, Practice nurse, Hospital CNS, School Nurse, Pharmacy)

5. Pilot of school education sessions for year 5 pupils

6. Development of a unified pathway (not achieved) and asthma resources

# Top Tips

## Funding

* We had looked at other systems for more widespread dissemination of education (Educaction for Health package combined with East of England) but no available funding
* The education sessions we ran were funded from other sources

## Participation

* Sub-optimal response from primary care survey.
* Meetings of workstream out of hours so some limitation of attendance. There was however a motivated core.

# Outcomes

We have identified some areas of need.

We have identified some other areas for more targeted education.

We would like to develop more patient focussed education and parent education sessions.

We have identified a core of people who are motivated to improve asthma outcomes in our locality.

# Benefits

Raised the profile of difficulties in children’s asthma to the locality.

Sustainability We are currently reviewing next steps and how we proceed with the model as part of the SWL CYP Network.

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