



CordisPulse

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Welcome to December's edition of the CordisPulse - a monthly digest of key research and policy developments across the sectors in which Cordis Bright provides research and consultancy services, i.e. children and young people's services, criminal justice, and adult social care and health.

In November, we were interested to read the LGA and SCIE publication on Achieving Integrated Care: 15 best practice actions. We have a track-record of, and are currently, working in and conducting evaluations of a range of integrated health and social care programmes and initiatives across England and Wales. These actions identified by SCIE and the LGA grouped under the headings of: realising person-centred coordinated care, building place-based care and support systems, and leading for integration chimed with many of our experiences of conducting nationally important, high profile evaluation work in this area.

We are looking forward to continuing to support our clients in this and other areas across the NHS, adult social care, children's services and criminal justice in 2020.

We wish all our Pulse readers and clients a peaceful festive break and a happy and prosperous new year.

If you would like to discuss any of the issues raised in this month's Pulse please do contact us on 020 7330 9170.

Best wishes,

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Cordis Bright News

Cordis Briefing November 2019

We delivered November's Cordis Bright which is a subscription service for independent sector providers of adult social care and supported housing. Running for over 15 years, the Briefing provides quarterly events which help attendees keep up-to-date and on-track with major developments in the sector. November's briefing included topics such as: the state of health and social care 2019; the financial stability of local authorities; personal social services expenditure 2018/19. Example slides can be seen [here](#) .

Adult Social Care and Health

Reports

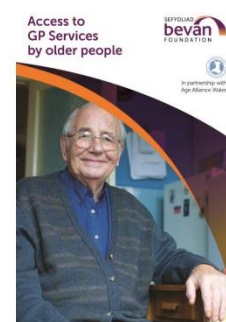
NHS Digital. Mental Health Bulletin 2018-19 annual report

This publication provides information about people who used NHS funded secondary mental health, learning disabilities and autism services in England during the financial year 2018-19. The report is based on submissions made using version 3.0 of the Mental Health Services Dataset (MHSDS). It includes the number of children and young people in contact with NHS funded secondary mental health, learning disabilities and autism services by 1st Contact and 2nd Contact in the reporting period.

Bevan Foundation. Access to GP Services by older people

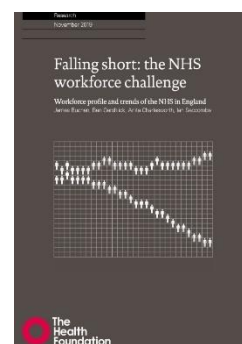
GP services are a lifeline for older people, but more and more are finding it difficult to access them. This report with Age Alliance Wales looks at the evidence and listens to older people's experiences. It urges the Welsh Government, local health boards, GP practices and Community Health Councils to take action.

The report begins by looking at the different definitions of access, then reviews current Welsh Government policy aimed at improving it. It then considers the views of around 400 older people across Wales and finds that while most have huge respect for the GP, many are having considerable difficulty accessing GP services.



The Health Foundation. Falling short: the NHS workforce challenge

This is the fourth annual NHS workforce trends report published by the Health Foundation. In it, they analyse the changes in the size and composition of the NHS workforce in England in the context of long-term trends, policy priorities and future projected need.



Public Health England. Adult substance misuse treatment statistics 2018 to 2019: report

Public Health England collects data on patients receiving substance misuse treatment, details of their treatment and the outcomes. The report and tables present statistical analysis of treatment data from 1 April 2018 to 31 March 2019. Treatment centres from across England submitted the data.

Briefings

Public Health England. Dementia: comorbidities in patients – data briefing

This briefing document analyses data recorded in a sample of primary care records of patients with dementia, in relation to their other health conditions (comorbidities). It examines whether patients with dementia are more likely to have comorbidities, to have multiple comorbidities or, have different subtypes of dementias lead to different patterns of comorbidities.

This briefing is for health commissioners, and providers of primary care and community services that support patients with dementia. The findings can inform a local assessment of the needs of patients with dementia, and the provision of health and care services.

The King's Fund. What's your problem, social care? The eight key areas for reform

The Prime Minister, Boris Johnson, has promised to 'fix' social care. But what exactly is he is trying to fix? And for whom? Different people have different ideas about what is 'wrong' with social care and how to fix it. The problems boil down to eight issues, consistently identified by service users, carers and families, policymakers and people working in the sector.

The King's Fund states that there are also obvious questions about how to fund reform, and we need to accept that there are underlying tensions and choices – no reform will deliver everything that everyone wants. But these can be navigated if, despite the problems, we retain a positive vision of social care as a solution, supporting people to live the lives they want and be actively involved in their communities and wider society. This briefing outlines the eight key areas for reform in social care.

Tools and Guidance

Local Government Association. Achieving integrated care, 15 best practice actions

The Local Government Association (LGA) and the Social Care Institute for Excellence (SCIE) have joined to produce an accessible and practical resource that supports local systems in fulfilling their ambition of integration. From experience working with local systems, LGA knows that the journey towards integrated care takes time, energy and resources from all local partners. Change can be slow, with setbacks common, but there are a handful of actions local leaders can take to accelerate progress.



The 15 actions prioritised in this resource draw on evidence about what works from international research, emerging best practices and engagement with stakeholders and partners. The actions are deliberately aligned with national policy, legal frameworks and regulatory guidance, but most importantly, they allow for local variety in system design and service delivery to flourish.

CQC. Summary of supporting information for inspectors: Identifying and responding to closed culture

This report provides a summary of supporting information for inspectors in identifying and responding to closed culture. In May 2019, BBC Panorama exposed the culture of abuse and human rights breaches of people with a learning disability at Whorlton Hall. It reinforced how important it is for everyone involved in the care of people with a learning disability or autistic people to identify closed cultures, where abuse and human rights breaches may be taking place.

Protecting people's basic human rights is at the heart of good care. Everyone involved in the care of people has a duty to act where there is a risk that a person's human rights are being breached. As the regulator of health and social care services, CQC are committed to improving how they regulate services where there is a risk of a closed, or punitive culture.

The Sutton Trust. Social Mobility Polling 2019

In advance of the General Election, the Sutton Trust, in association with YouGov, surveyed the British public on their attitudes to social mobility and opportunity.

Children and young people's services

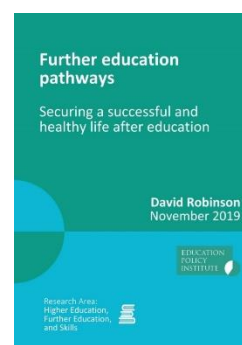
Reports

Public Health England. Young people's substance misuse treatment statistics 2018 to 2019: report

Public Health England's reporting on alcohol and drug treatment data for under-18s from PHE's National Drug Treatment Monitoring System (NDTMS). These statistics can be used to understand the availability and effectiveness of alcohol and drug treatment services for young people (under 18 years old) in England, trends in drug and alcohol use among young people receiving treatment, and the profile of young people accessing alcohol and drug treatment services.

Health Foundation. Further education pathways securing a successful and healthy life after education

This report considers the role that further education pathways play in preparing young people for life after education. EPI was commissioned by the Health Foundation as part of the Young People's future health inquiry. The inquiry is a first-of-its-kind research and engagement project that aims to build an understanding of the influences affecting the future health of young people. The two-year inquiry, which began in 2017, aims to discover: whether young people have the building blocks for a healthy future; what support and opportunities young people need to secure them; what are the main issues that young people face as they become adults; and what this means for their future health and for society more generally. This report, along with 6 other



commissions, aims to understand some of the structural and policy issues facing young people.

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Children's Commissioner. UK's Children's Commissioners' UNCRC mid-term review

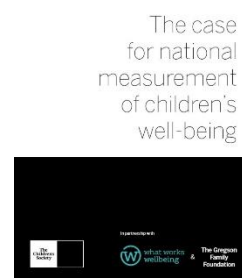
This year marks the 30th anniversary of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, a landmark agreement by governments around the world on the rights of children. As UK Children's Commissioners it is central to their missions to make sure that those rights are made a reality for all children.



The United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child last reviewed the UK's progress in 2016 and will do so again in 2021. UK Children's Commissioners' are assessing how the UK Government and devolved administrations have progressed towards giving every child the opportunities and protections enshrined in the UNCRC since then.

The Children's Society. The case for national measurement of children's well-being

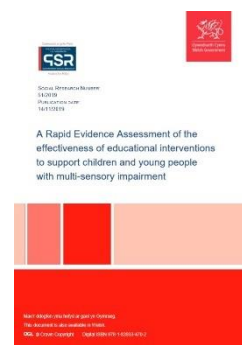
In partnership with the What Works Centre Wellbeing and The Gregson Family Foundation, this briefing outlines why comprehensive national measurement of children's well-being is needed in England and what steps decision makers should take to make it a reality. Our young people are anxious. Within the OECD, only young people in Turkey and Korea are more anxious than young Britons. National surveys of mental ill-health show increasing levels of emotional problems like depression and low mood, particularly among older teenagers. Prioritising children's well-being in policy and service delivery could yield significant results.



Tools and Guidance

Welsh Government. A Rapid Evidence Assessment of the effectiveness of educational interventions to support children and young people with multi-sensory impairment

The Welsh Government commissioned the University of Birmingham to undertake a rapid evidence assessment (REA) into the extent to which interventions to support learners affected by multi-sensory impairment are effective. The purpose of the review is to facilitate the planning and delivery of early, timely and effective interventions to support children and young people with multi-sensory impairment.



Criminal Justice

Reports

Women's Aid. Funding specialist support for domestic abuse survivors

A safe and sustainable national network of specialist domestic abuse support services (the specialist domestic abuse sector), that meets the needs of women survivors and their children, is essential for achieving the cross-government commitment that 'no woman is turned away from the support she needs.' Central to this is the delivery of specialist service provision that meets quality standards, and upholds duties to eliminate discrimination, and ensure equality, for survivors on the basis of protected characteristics such as race, sex and sexual orientation, age and disability.

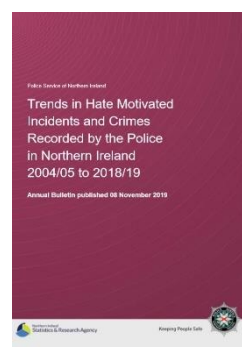


In this report, Women's Aid sets out an assessment of the level of investment needed to effectively resource the specialist domestic abuse sector for women and their children across England, to a level which enables them to carry out their life-saving work. It covers the support element of provision, but not housing costs for refuge services, which are largely met by housing benefit. This investment includes all essential elements of provision such as dedicated support for the children of survivors, therapeutic support and the costs of support staff, activities and central/management cost.

Briefings

Police Service of Northern Ireland. Trends in hate motivated incidents and crimes recorded by the police in Northern Ireland 2004/05 to 2018/19 annual bulletin

The Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI) publishes figures on the levels and trends in police recorded incidents and crimes with a hate motivation. As these figures only relate to those hate motivated incidents reported to the police, they only provide an indication of the true extent of hate motivations. The statistics are collated and produced by statisticians seconded to the Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI) from the Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency (NISRA). Collation of this data started in 2004/05.



This release presents statistics relating to incidents and crimes with a hate motivation recorded by the police between 2004/05 and 2018/19. Supplementary data are available from the PSNI website in the accompanying spreadsheets.

Clinks. Sentencing in England and Wales. The key facts, the impact of the voluntary sector and an update on sentencing policy

The briefing summarises the key facts and issues around various sentencing types, considers the impact this has on the work of the voluntary sector in criminal justice, and provides an update on recent policy developments. In it, Clinks outline three key asks for sentencing reform made by campaigners and voluntary sector organisations and explore the evidence and arguments for these.

The aim is to equip the voluntary sector with the relevant information that will enable them to engage in current debates and future policy in this area. In particular, the briefing highlights where sentencing policy has an unequal or disproportionate effect on particular groups of people that the voluntary sector works to support.



Tools and Guidance

Prison Reform Trust. A helping hand, supporting families in the resettlement of people serving IPPs

In this report Prison Reform Trust focuses on measures that are likely to ameliorate the pains experienced by families, and to reduce the barriers experienced by them that hinder their efforts to support their relative. But it is important to emphasise that the families' pains are tied directly to the IPP sentence itself and to the prisoners' experiences. Therefore, efforts to improve the situation for families of indeterminate-sentenced IPP prisoners are intertwined with the need to address the needs of IPP prisoners themselves.

