



STRATEGIC PLANNING AND PERFORMANCE GROUP

Statutory Functions

Data Return 10

In order to ensure that there is no duplication in submitting data to SPPG the key below indicates which data should be completed in this return. Data which is sourced from the DSF spreadsheets or DoH is indicated by colour coding.

Key to Data Items:-

	This data item is completed in the DSF spreadsheet
	This data item should be completed in this Data return 10
	Other - there is no need to complete this data item and it is sourced from DoH

DATA RETURN 10 – PoC / Directorate Family and Child Care

Please Note: Information for this section will inform the Corporate Parenting Report (CC3/02)

10 Children (NI) Order 1995
Article 18 (2)Schedule 2 Para 1, Article 18 (2)Schedule 2 Para 5(2), Article 18 (2)Schedule 2 Para 9, Article 27 (1)(2), Article 27 (1)(2), Article 27 (8), Article 35, Article 36 (1) Article 44, Article 45 (1)(2), Article 45 (3)(5)(6)(7)(8), Article 108 (1), Article 118, Article 130, Article 174, Article 175, Article 177

10.1 CHILDREN IN NEED																																																																																															
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	Pakistani	0	1	2	1	1	3	1	1	0	0	4	6	10	
	Bangladeshi	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	
	Black Caribbean	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Black African	1	0	1	4	3	3	6	1	13	9	24	17	41	
	Black Other	0	1	4	5	17	10	7	4	2	2	30	22	52	
	Mixed Ethnic Group	0	3	8	12	16	27	11	9	6	3	41	54	95	
	Any Other Ethnic Group	2	3	18	9	21	12	6	14	9	1	56	39	95	
	Not Stated	14	25	79	67	676	354	356	273	131	131	1256	850	2106	
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10.1.3	Religion of Children in Need														DSF- Children In Need Spreadsheet
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	Religion	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
	Roman Catholic	20	20	149	130	446	331	275	210	112	100	1002	791	1793	
	Presbyterian	1	1	11	9	49	40	39	26	14	20	114	96	210	
	Church of Ireland	3	1	8	13	52	31	33	18	9	9	105	72	177	
	Church of England	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Methodist	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	1	2	1	5	2	7	
	Other Christian	15	8	37	20	104	116	63	75	30	33	249	252	501	
	Jewish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Muslim	1	1	2	2	5	5	7	8	19	7	34	23	57	
	Other	2	10	17	4	22	23	10	17	4	9	55	63	118	
	Not Known	30	39	189	141	862	441	415	308	156	150	1652	1079	2731	
	Not Completed	2	4	17	11	57	33	30	24	9	9	115	81	196	
	None	3	5	9	9	40	26	18	14	4	2	74	56	130	
	Refused	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	1	0	3	2	5	
	TOTAL	77	89	439	339	1640	1046	892	703	360	340	3408	2517	5925	
10.1.4	(a) How many children have been referred for an Assessment of Need during the reporting period i.e. 1st April – 30th September														DSF- Children In Need Spreadsheet
		<1		1-4		5-11		12-15		16+		Total			

Number of Children Referred	130	758	1755	981	400	4024																																													
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10.1.6	<p>How many of these Children in Need are Disabled and known to Trust Social Workers (by major category) at 30th September?</p> <p><i>Ensure any specific issues are raised in the Service level summary</i></p>						DSF- Children In Need Spreadsheet																																												
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	Physical (Ex. Sensory)	0	0	5	3	25	15	21	11	6	6	57	35	92
	Sensory	0	0	2	0	6	4	4	6	0	3	12	13	25
	Learning	0	0	7	4	63	32	85	36	45	32	200	104	304
	Chronic illness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Autism(ASD)/A DHD/Aspergers	0	0	53	16	715	297	314	181	70	62	1152	556	1708
	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	TOTAL (With Disability)	0	0	67	23	809	348	424	234	121	103	1421	708	2129
	No Disability	77	89	372	316	831	698	468	469	239	237	1987	1809	3796
	Grand Total	77	89	439	339	1640	1046	892	703	360	340			5925
10.1.7	Disabled children known to the Trust who left school during the reporting period and the transition plans that are in place.													DSF- Children In Need Spreadsheet
	Age at leaving school	>16 <17		>17 <18		18+		Total		Number with Transitions in place				
	Disability Type	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F			
	Physical disability	2	3	0	1	0	0	2	4	2	4			
	Sensory Impairment	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1			
	Learning disability	1	2	0	0	27	5	28	7	28	7			
	Chronic illness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
	Autism (ASD)/ADHD/Aspergers	6	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	6	0			
	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
	TOTAL	9	6	0	1	27	5	36	12	36	12			
10.1.8	How many Children in Need are currently awaiting assessment or treatment with child and adolescent mental health services as at 30th September?													SPPG (PMSI)

	<i>Trend analysis and commentary (Refers to ALL i.e. tiers 2-4 children awaiting CAMHS regardless of the pathway to the waiting list)</i>																							
10.1.9	This is intentionally blank																							
10.1.10	<p>How many of the Children in Need are Young Carers</p> <p>A total of 150 Children in Need are Young Carers. This is a decrease of 6 on the numbers provided as at 31st March 2024.</p> <p>Young Carers receive a service from Action for Children.</p> <p>Armagh & Dungannon – 33, Craigavon & Banbridge – 57, Newry & Mourne – 60, making a total of 150.</p>	Data Return 10																						
10.1.11	<p>How many young people aged 16 and 17 years presented to the Trust as homeless ?</p> <p><i>This is sourced from Homeless Social Work Services within Trust.</i> <i>The detailed quarterly homeless young people's data collection template has been stood down.</i></p> <p><i>The excel data return should be completed to provide the number of young people who presented as homeless</i></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="274 920 1334 1144"> <thead> <tr> <th>Age</th> <th>Number of Young People who presented to the Trust as Homeless during the reporting period</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>16</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>17</td> <td>3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>5</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Age	Number of Young People who presented to the Trust as Homeless during the reporting period	16	2	17	3	Total	5	DSF- Children In Need Spreadsheet														
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10.1.16	During the period, please provide the number of children (if any) that became subject of a Supervision / Interim Supervision Order (moved from Child Protection section)												DSF- Children In Need Spreadsheet			
			<1		1-4		5-11		12-15		16+			Total		T o t a l
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10.2 Children (NI) Order 1995

Article 18 (2)Schedule 2 Para 1, Article 18 (2)Schedule 2 Para 5(2), Article 18 (2)Schedule 2 Para 9, Article 27 (1)(2), Article 27 (1)(2), Article 27 (8), Article 35, Article 36 (1) Article 44, Article 45 (1)(2), Article 45 (3)(5)(6)(7)(8), Article 108 (1), Article 118, Article 130, Article 174, Article 175, Article 177

CHILD PROTECTION													
<i>No data is required for items (10.2.1-10.2.8) – data sourced from SPPG quarterly Child protection Report.</i>													
(Information Dept) emails quarterly Child Protection Report to SPPG													
10.2.1	How many children are on the Child Protection Register as at 30th September?											Quarterly CP return to SPPG	
		<1		1-4		5-11		12-15		16+		Total	
	Male												
	Female												
	Total												
10.2.2	How many of these children have a learning disability?											Quarterly CP return to SPPG	
		<1		1-4		5-11		12-15		16+		Total	
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
	Learning Disability												
	Total												
10.2.3	How many of these children have a physical disability?											Quarterly CP return to SPPG	
		<1		1-4		5-11		12-15		16+		Total	
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
	Physical Disability												
	Visually Disabled												
	Hearing Impaired												
	Total												
10.2.4	Religion of children on the Child Protection Register											Quarterly CP return to SPPG	
		<1		1-4		5-11		12-15		16+		Total	
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
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	>3mts													
	3<6mts													
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	1<2yr													
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10.2.10	For children on the register, how long have they spent on the Register (as at 10.2.1)?													Quarterly CP return to SPPG
	Duration		Age Groups							Total				
			Under 1 Year	1-4	5-11	12-15	16+							
	Less than 3 Months													
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10.3 Children (NI) Order 1995

Looked After Children

10.3.1

Provide the current legal status for all Looked After Children at 30th September (excluding any who are LAC on that day only by virtue of a short break arrangement)

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Legal status	<1		1-4		5-11		12-15		16+		Total		Total
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Art 21(1) Accommodated <16	4	3	11	10	14	14	12	7			41	34	75
Art. 21(3) Accommodated 16+									26	14	26	14	40
Art. 21(4) Accommodated	1	1	11	6	6	7	3	7			21	21	42
Art. 21(5) Accommodated 16+ <21									2	4	2	4	6
Art. 44 (5) Secure	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Art. 44 (6) Interim Secure	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Art. 50 (1) (a) Care Order	0	0	19	14	75	64	67	55	28	45	189	178	367
Art. 57 (1) Interim CO	5	6	27	17	22	19	11	11	4	4	69	57	126
Deemed Care Order	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Emergency Protection Order Art. 63	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Art. 23(2) Accommodated	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	9	6	2	4	0	0	0	0	11	10	21
TOTAL	10	10	77	53	119	108	93	80	60	67	359	318	677

10.3.2

Religion and Ethnic origin of Looked After Children (please provide by new list of ethnic minorities)

DSF – LAC Spreadsheet

Religion	<1		1-4		5-11		12-15		16+		Total		T o t a l
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Roman Catholic	5	4	51	36	74	62	61	47	25	37	216	186	402
Presbyterian	0	0	2	4	8	7	9	6	3	6	22	23	45
Church of Ireland	1	1	3	6	15	3	9	9	3	4	31	23	54
Church of England	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Methodist	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	1	4	1	5
Other Christian	2	0	10	1	11	24	6	15	7	11	36	51	87
Jewish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Muslim	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	18	6	21	6	27
Other	1	4	3	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	4	7	11
Not Known	0	0	3	1	2	2	3	2	3	1	11	6	17
Not Completed	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	2	5
None	0	1	3	3	7	8	1	1	0	0	11	13	24
Refused	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	10	10	77	53	119	108	93	80	60	67	359	318	677

Ethnicity	<1		1-4		5-11		12-15		16+		Total		T o t a l
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
White	10	9	67	47	106	91	81	73	36	56	300	276	576
Chinese	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	2
Irish Traveller	0	0	3	0	2	4	3	0	1	0	9	4	13
Roma Traveller	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
Indian	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pakistani	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Bangladeshi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Black Caribbean	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Black African	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	0	12	8	16	9	25	
Black Other	0	0	0	3	4	1	1	3	1	1	6	8	14	
Mixed Ethnic Group	0	0	3	1	3	10	4	2	2	2	12	15	27	
Any Other Ethnic Group	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	6	0	7	1	8	
Not Stated	0	1	3	1	2	1	0	0	2	0	7	3	10	
TOTAL	10	10	77	53	119	108	93	80	60	67	359	318	677	

10.3.3

Number of Looked After Children (as at 10.3.1) by type of placement at 30th September

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All Looked After Children		<1		1-4		5-11		12-15		16+		Total		Total
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Residential	Statutory	0	0	0	0	2	1	5	2	5	10	12	13	25
	Voluntary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Private	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ECR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Secure	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Residential Total	0	0	0	0	2	1	5	2	5	10	12	13	25
Fostering	Foster Carers excluding relatives [Stranger]	7	8	35	23	56	52	30	42	10	18	138	143	281
Kinship Care	Kinship Care In Kinship Placement less than 12 weeks	0	0	3	3	2	3	2	1	0	0	7	7	14
	Kinship Care (Friends/relatives)	3	2	32	21	49	50	41	24	15	18	140	115	255
	Unregulated (In Placement > 12 weeks and not	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	3	0	5	3	8

	yet approved)														
	Independent Providers	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	1	3	1	4	
	Fostering Total	10	10	70	47	109	105	75	70	29	37	293	269	562	
	Placed at Home with Parents	0	0	4	4	6	2	13	8	5	4	28	18	46	
	Placed for Adoption (LAC Children, with a Care Order, placed with Adoptive Parents)	0	0	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	5	2	7	
Other Placements	Jointly Supported Accommodation Projects	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	5	3	5	8	
	Juvenile Justice Centre	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Supported Lodgings	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	3	4	3	7	
	Tenancy Arrangement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	2	6	2	8	
	Unregulated Be-Spoke Arrangement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	6	8	6	14	
Other		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Overall TOTAL		10	10	77	53	119	108	93	80	60	67	359	318	677	
No children above are placed in an Annex provision to a residential Home.															

10.3.4

Age bands and length of time looked after for all Looked After Children at period end

DSF – LAC Spreadsheet

Length of time Looked After at period end	<1		1-4		5-11		12-15		16+		Total		Total
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
< 3 months	5	2	7	4	4	6	5	5	6	2	27	19	46
3 months to < 1 year	5	8	14	14	17	16	11	12	20	9	67	59	126
1 year < 3 years	0	0	39	28	41	32	19	18	11	20	110	98	208
3 years < 5 years	0	0	17	7	23	21	11	13	7	9	58	50	108
5 years < 10 years	0	0	0	0	29	29	31	23	14	15	74	67	141
10+ years	0	0	0	0	5	4	16	9	2	12	23	25	48
Total	10	10	77	53	119	108	93	80	60	67	359	318	677

10.3.5

Number of children provided with a short break during the period who become Looked After by virtue of the short break arrangement

DSF – LAC Spreadsheet

Name of Unit	Children/Young People																	
	<1			1-4			5-11			12-15			16+			Total		
	No. of Children	Events / Episodes	Total Overnight	No. of Ch/YP	Events / Episodes	Total Overnight	No. of Ch/YP	Events / Episodes	Total Overnight	No. of Ch/YP	Events / Episodes	Total Overnight	No. of Ch/YP	Events / Episodes	Total Overnight	No. of Ch/YP	Events / Episodes	Total Overnight
1	0	0	0	1	4	7	16	99	125	8	66	128	5	55	125	30	224	385
2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	50	64	14	173	212	16	212	276	33	435	552
TOTAL	0	0	0	1	4	7	19	149	189	22	239	340	21	267	401	63	659	937

Note: Information on respite should be provided for those children who received from both Foster Carers and Units.

Unit 1 = Foster Carers
Unit 2 = Residential

10.3.6

Number of children accommodated for 3 months or more in a hospital

DSF – LAC Spreadsheet

Facility Name	Age at Placement			Number Resident at Period End
	Under 16	16+	Total	
Total	0	0	0	0

10.3.7

Number of children accommodated for 3 months or more in an adult facility. For example Residential Care Home, Nursing Home, Private Hospital

DSF – LAC Spreadsheet

Facility Name	Age at Placement			Number Resident at Period End
	Under 16	16+	Total	
Total	0	0	0	0

Note: this does not apply to hostels or other accommodation which falls within the unregulated placement notifications criteria and which is noted elsewhere in this report.

10.3.8

(a) What facilities – statutory, voluntary and private are available to care for these Looked After Children i.e. how many places in residential homes, foster care placements

DSF – LAC Spreadsheet

Name of Residential Unit	Statutory	Voluntary	Private	No. of Beds	No of Beds available to Trust	Trust % occupancy 1.4.24 – 30.9.24	No of Respite beds	Respite % occupancy

	Woodside Adolescent Centre	Yes	No	No	5	5	96%	0	0%		
	Cedar Grove	Yes	No	No	5	5	92%	0	0%		
	Oaktree (formerly Edenvilla)	Yes	No	No	5	5	89%	0	0%		
	Bocombra Lodge	Yes	No	No	5	5	92%	0	0%		
	Cherry Grove	Yes	No	No	5	5	98%	0	0%		
	Bluebell	Yes	No	No	5	5	100%	0	0%		
	Facilities providing Short Breaks for Children with a Disability										
	Willowgrove	No	Yes	No	0	0	0%	2.5	89%		
	Oaklands	Yes	No	No	0	0	0%	3	64%		
	(b) Provide your number of foster carers (should agree with 10.5.1) <u>547</u> Provide the number of approved places offered (should agree with 10.5.2) <u>764</u>										
10.3.9	How many Looked After Children have had placement moves throughout the period?										
	DSF – LAC Spreadsheet										
	Placement changes	0-4		5-11		12-15		16+		Total	
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
	Number who moved once	7	11	12	19	7	7	18	14	44	51
	Number who moved twice	3	4	5	7	2	2	5	3	15	16
	Number who moved 3 times	2	2	3	3	2	3	0	2	7	10
	Number who moved 4 times or more	0	0	2	1	2	6	0	5	4	12
	Total	12	17	22	30	13	18	23	24	70	89
	Trust must provide an explanation of actions taken to reduce placement moves during the period. Count all moves i.e.as per COR12 report.										
	Placement moves continue to occur for a variety of reasons. These can be a mixture of planned moves from short term to long term/permanent placements, unavailability of a carer through illness or family circumstances or placement breakdown.										
	There continue to be significant challenges with finding new placements for young people, especially those with more complex needs who require higher levels of support. The Trust continues to provide additional levels of outreach and intensive										

support to these vulnerable young people and their carers. The Trust continues to work in conjunction with carers to identify which supports work best and to be innovative/creative in how we deliver the optimum support to ensure they remain in their placement. In conjunction with this, for the small number of complex young people have experienced the most moves, the Trust has engaged support from the Scaffold Therapeutic service to assist carers with strategies and techniques to manage the challenges, as well as with the young people to help them develop better coping strategies. These are normally intense pieces of work involving the multi-disciplinary teams. Planning is currently taking place for the small number of younger children who require to be more intensely supported and where a family placement is not assessed as being the best placement for them currently. This will require investment from SPPG in terms of moving proposals forward.

Each young person requiring a move is referred to the Trust’s Resource Panel for consideration of the most appropriate placement. Whilst every effort continues to be made to match the young person to an appropriate placement, this is not always achievable if an emergency move is required. The Permanence Panel provides advice and guidance regarding timely permanence planning for each young person to ensure that the appropriate long term placement option is identified as soon as possible.

The Trust also continues to convene Risk Management and Professional Network/Planning meetings to proactively and collaboratively consider the young person’s holistic needs and respond appropriately.

10.3.10

(a) How many Looked After Children are awaiting assessment or treatment with child and adolescent mental health services at 30th September?

There were 3 Looked After Children awaiting assessment or treatment with CAMHS as at 30th September 2024.

(b) How many Looked After Children have been referred for therapeutic services and their waiting time.

Referrals	Foster Care (nonkin/traditional)	Kinship Foster Care	Residential Care	Young People Exiting Care	Post Adoption Support	TOTAL
Total Number of Referrals received this period	20	15	1	12	8	56
Source of these referrals received from						
Child’s Social Worker	20	15	1	12	8	56
Carer’s Social Worker	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adoptive parents	0	0	0	0	0	0
CAMHS	0	0	0	0	0	0
DAMS	0	0	0	0	0	0
FACTSNI	0	0	0	0	0	0

DSF – LAC Spreadsheet

Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of Referrals Accepted	20	12	1	12	8	53
Number of Referrals deemed inappropriate	0	3	0	0	0	3
Number of referrals signposted to another service						
CAMHS	0	0	0	0	0	0
DAMS	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult Psychology	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult Psychology Service	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Post Adoption Service	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
Children engaged with the Service by substantive placement						
Number of children engaged with the Service at period start date	79	24	25	1	46	175
Number of children seen on a once off basis during the period	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of children discharged from Service during the period	20	7	0	6	1	34
Number of children transferred to another Service during the period:						
CAMHS	0	0	0	0	0	0
DAMS	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult Psychology	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adult Psychology Service	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Post Adoptive Service	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of children engaged with the Service at period end date	82	27	26	6	55	196
Service delivery during the period						
Number of Reviews undertaken	1490					
Average waiting time for service (weeks)	5					
Number on waiting list at end of period	16					
Number of DNAs during the period	64					
Number of individual sessions cancelled by the Service during the period	15					
For those children discharged from the Service during the period what was the average	36					

length of involvement (weeks)							
Total	1626						
Consultations provided by the Service during the period							
		Number	Number which were repeat				
Social worker		44	0				
CAMHS		0	0				
DAMS		0	0				
Teacher		0	0				
Psychiatry		0	0				
GP		0	0				
Carers/adoptive parents		0	0				
One off		8	0				
<p>(c) Please provide actions taken to reduce waiting time.</p> <p>The Trust has a statutory responsibility to ensure that all Looked after Children have a statutory medical examination completed within the required timescales.</p> <p>The Trust ensures that Looked after Children/Young People admitted into care for the first-time have an initial health assessment completed by the three month Looked after Children Review. The health assessment provides a valuable baseline assessment of the Child/Young Person’s health at the point of entry into care. The health assessment includes a health plan that clearly identifies any unmet health needs, the actions required, and the person responsible for ensuring actions are carried out within the agreed timescales The health assessment contributes to the holistic assessment of the Child/Young Person’s needs and aims to promote good multi-disciplinary communication. The health assessment is made available at the Looked After Children Reviews. The health assessment and health plan is reviewed and updated every six months for Looked after Children under the age of 5 years and annually for Looked after Children over the age of 5 years, where there is active health visiting or school nursing interventions.</p> <p>A health appraisal is offered to all Looked after Children aged between 12-15 years of age. The health Appraisal enables the Child/Young Person to have their health reviewed annually by either a School Nurse or Specialist Nurse for Looked after Children and any unmet health needs addressed. The information is recorded on the Child Health System.</p> <p>The Trust ensures that all Looked After Children are easily identified on the Child Health System, and this helps alert the Health Professionals that there is a Child or Young Person in Care.</p>							

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The Trust also implements the Southern Health and Social Care Trust's 'Promoting the Health and Well-being of Looked after Children - Policy and Standards for Looked after Children for Health Visitors, School Nurses and the Specialist Nurse for Looked after Children' Document (2017). The document is available via the Trust intranet. The document is aligned with the Regional Guidance Document - 'Promoting the health and wellbeing of Looked after Children and Young People. Guidance for Health Visitors, School Nurses, Family Nurses (Family Nurse Partnership) and Looked after Children Nurse Specialists' (2014), which is currently being revised and will supersede both the Southern Health and Social Care Trust's 'Promoting the Health and Well-being of Looked after Children - Policy and Standards for Looked after Children for Health Visitors, School Nurses and the Specialist Nurse for Looked after Children' Document and the Regional Guidance Document - 'Promoting the health and wellbeing of Looked after Children and Young People. Guidance for Health Visitors, School Nurses, Family Nurses (Family Nurse Partnership) and Looked after Children Nurse Specialists'.

The Trust has a Scaffold Consultation and Therapeutic Service, which provides specialist input to support the emotional and psychological wellbeing of Looked after Children. This service aims to support staff in addressing the complex health needs of Looked After Children and to encourage innovative practice that will ultimately improve their health outcomes. The Scaffold Consultation and Therapeutic Service comprises of Psychology, Social Work, Occupational Therapy, Speech and Language Therapy, Primary Mental Health, and Specialist Nursing staff. Input is provided to adopted Children and their Families, Children and Young People in foster and residential care, and Young People who receive aftercare services. Inputs include direct therapeutic work, training, and consultation, and supports to Staff and Carers.

The Trust has a Specialist Nurse for Care Experienced Children. The Specialist Nurse for Care Experienced Children's role and remit is to:-

- Provide advice, guidance, and information on a wide range of health-related issues to Looked After Children and Young People in Care (aged 11 to 18);
- Provide advice, guidance, and information on a wide range of health-related issues to Carers, Social Workers, and other Professionals;
- Provide direct individual or group work in relation to health-related issues;
- Provide and annually review health assessments and health plans for all young people in residential care;
- Promote understanding of the health needs of Looked After Children and Young People in Care by providing input into induction training for newly

	<p>appointed Health Visitors and School Nurses and for Nursing/Health Visiting/School Nursing Students;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop practice and support systems focusing on the health needs of Looked After Child and Young People in Care. 																																																																																																																																																									
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<p>10.3.15</p>	<p>(a) Did each Looked After Child receive a statutory visit by their allocated and named social worker at least once a month during the period? No.</p> <p>(b) If no, give number of children and provide an update in the service summary on current position and actions taken.</p> <p>100 Looked After Children did not receive a statutory visit by their allocated and named social worker at least once a month during the period. Every effort is made to ensure that statutory visits are carried out by the child's own Social Worker. Where this is not possible, due to staff illness or absence, the visit will be carried out by another Social Worker. At times visits may have to be rearranged due to illness of the carer or child or life events such as bereavement or house move. In recent months, statutory visits have not taken place due to cases being deallocated within some of the teams in the Children in Care service. Recruitment has continued to be slow to CYPS in general, and whilst more recently new Social Workers have been recruited to teams, this has been offset by sick leave and staff leaving post.</p> <p>Unfortunately, as noted, there remain unallocated cases within the Children in Care Service. A case becomes unallocated when there is no allocated Social Worker for a period of 20 working days or more. Unallocated caseloads are a temporary feature within Looked After Children Teams due to the need to focus social work time on complex intensive support cases. Every effort is made to prevent cases being unallocated where possible and the management of unallocated caseload</p>	<p>DSF – LAC Spreadsheet</p>

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10.3.16	<p>Number of Looked After Children Reviews held during the period</p> <p>A total of 514 LAC reviews took place during this period.</p>	DSF – LAC Spreadsheet
10.3.17	<p>Was the case of each Looked After Child reviewed in line with Statutory requirements? No.</p> <p>If No, please provide number and explain actions taken to address this issue.</p> <p>A total of 514 Looked after reviews took place within this period.</p> <p>36 LAC Reviews were held outside the statutory timescales during the reporting period (7%).</p> <p>The Care Plan for each child in care is formally reviewed as per statutory requirements, and many are reviewed more frequently than the statutory minimum depending on Care Plan and specific individual need. The Trust employs three Independent Chairpersons, as well as two permanent Service Managers within Children in Care, who are responsible for chairing all child in care reviews and case conferences. This number has increased as three Service Managers have been employed within FIT who have operational and some chairing responsibilities.</p> <p>Child in Care reviews are generally held in accordance with required timeframes. The Trust continues to offer reviews in a virtual format to provide attendees with an alternative opportunity to attend. Parents are being encouraged to attend in person although most are choosing to continue to attend virtually.</p> <p>A total of 514 LAC reviews occurred within this time period of which 36 were outside timeframes, less than 7%. Reasons for reviews not occurring within timescales include family requests for a different date, availability of key personnel, delays in expert assessments being received by the Trust which are key in assisting decision-making and Team Leaders/Social Workers being required urgently at Court. Unfortunately staffing pressures are now adding to delay. Those children whose cases are deallocated are not being reviewed within timescales. As noted, the Trust is committed to reallocating children and families in as short a time frame as possible. When that occurs the child's review meeting will take place.</p>	Data Return 10
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10.3.20	<p>Is there an adequate supply of placements for children to enable placement choice? No</p> <p><i>(If no, Please explain)</i></p>	Data Return 10

Children with Disability (CWD)**Residential short breaks**

The CWD service experiences challenges in consistently maintaining adequate numbers of placements in relation to short breaks to meet demand. There remains an average of 2 to 3 beds available per night for 7 nights per week in Oaklands, and average of 2 to 3 beds 6 nights per week in Willowgrove (managed for the Trust by Barnardos). This includes factoring a number of considerations, including 2:1 staffing required for some children, prolonged placements for some children who require additional nights to alleviate home pressures and avoid fulltime admission to care, and a small number of children who require overnight accommodation on their own. Staff recruitment and retention continues to be problematic, as experienced by many service areas and can impact on provision at times also.

The increasing demand for overnight provision continues and an increasing number of families continue to require a high level of weekly overnight provision to ensure they do not require a longer term placement. There remains a waiting list for all overnight residential provisions. For example in January 2020 there were 12 children awaiting a short break residential placement and in January 2024 there were 18 children. At present (October 2024) there are 19 children waiting on a residential short break place.

Furthermore whilst Willowgrove remained static and provided for 20 children both in January 20 and January 24, despite Oaklands increasing nights, Oaklands had reduced from 20 children in 2020 to 14 children in 2024 due to complexity of need. This trend is now being replicated in Willowgrove (October 2024) with a decrease to 18 children using the service due to complexity of need. This reduces the number of children each facility can accommodate, and despite increasing the number of nights available the number of children able to avail of the services has decreased overall.

Short Breaks fostering

The Short Breaks Team continues to work to increase the number of Short Breaks carers for CWD services and attracted 21 potential carers during the reporting period. The Fostering Panel approved 3 new short break foster carers for children with a disability during this time frame. The continued reduction in expressions of interest and approvals may be due to inflated numbers recorded during Covid and the immediate period after. However, the conversion rate from interest to approval which had been relatively consistent at 7.05% in 2022 and 7.89% in 2023 has increased to 14% for the reporting period. Continued innovative recruitment practices, including virtual platforms, community resources and events, provide positive results in a consistent fashion. Collaboration with mainstream fostering and closer working arrangements and sharing of resources has helped in this regard.

There is a continued and sustained need for foster placements that can manage children with complex needs or behaviours that challenge, and this remains a priority. This includes the need for placements in relation to children with ASD and/

or mental health presentation, who require short breaks or long-term placements to ensure their needs are met. There is also a growing need for shared-care type placements for children who require more than short breaks, and this is an area that the service is focused on.

Four full-time specialist placements are provided by fee-paid carers for 5 children with complex needs (one couple have 2 full-time children), which is an increase from the previous reporting period. Child specific recruitment campaigns continue to attract carers for children with individual needs, however the numbers of prospective carers responding to these requests remains low. There have also been a small number of Kinship assessments identified in this reporting period.

Short breaks fostering figures have increased from the previous reporting period in terms of the number of overnights provided - 338 nights for this period, which equates to 26 children receiving overnights (307 in previous 6 months). The service has increased from previously providing 52% of the assessed need to 56% of the assessed need within the reporting period. The waiting list for overnight short breaks has increased from 21 children to 24 and there remains a substantial waiting list for both residential and short breaks fostering placements that cannot be met within current provision. Unmet need therefore continues to be an issue that all of the services continually focus on.

A Short Breaks paper by the Operational Manager has been completed and shared with senior management in relation to how to develop and grow the service in order to ease the pressure on residential units and to tackle unmet need. This utilised 9 years of Trust data, in addition to international research and best practice to highlight the positive outcomes and cost effectiveness of the service.

CWD Residential Care

Bluebell House continues to provide a therapeutic long term out of home placement for up to 5 young people. During the reporting period, one young person moved into Adult Services in a planned and timely way upon their 18th birthday. Currently there are 3 young people resident in Bluebell House, with planning underway for the admission of a fourth young person. In addition to this, there remains a small number of children on the “edge of care”, who may require a shared care or full time care placement in the near future. Those children will be matched with existing placements in Residential if their Care Plan indicates this as the best match for the child.

Family Placement

The Family Placement service continues to experience significant increase in placement requests with limited availability for matching within the existing cohort of carers. The Family Placement Team manage all fostering requests for children requiring placements. Requests for planned placements are managed through the Resource Panel, however there are still a significant number of requests for emergency placements.

There continues to be a consistent demand for placements for teenagers due to

family breakdown and other associated risk-taking behaviours. This can cause challenges in placement identification. Many carers feel unable to offer placements due to the level of risk they are being asked to manage and many are also concerned about the potential impact such behaviours may have on their own children. There are an increased number of teenage children requiring placements, who have a diagnosis of ASD or are undergoing assessments re same, and foster carers often have busy homes and do not have the skills or appropriate environment to offer these young people the support they require.

There continues to be demand for sibling group placements and on occasion this requires additional bedroom space, which is not available in many foster homes. Although sibling groups is an area targeted within recruitment, many sibling groups have had to be separated because of placement capacity issues.

Despite continued regional recruitment campaigns there is a reduction in enquires regionally, however SHSCT appear to be performing better in this regard. Foster carers are involved in co-production approaches to recruitment and delivery of services and are keen to continue to offer ongoing support to any new recruitment initiatives.

The Service continues to face challenges in identifying placements for a very small number of younger children with complex needs. The Family Placement Service has endeavoured to provide extensive support packages for these children, on occasion using several carers to support the child. The reconfiguration of a Trust residential unit to provide placements for a small number of younger children has been a positive development. The Intensive Support Fostering Scheme offers 25 placements to meet the needs of children and young people with more complex presentations. While this is an excellent resource there is currently a waiting list of children whose needs would be best met within this service.

The Trust has been very successful in recruiting carers from child specific campaigns.

Foster carers are now being approved from a child specific campaign within the last reporting period, which will hopefully provide several placements for those young people requiring permanent options.

The Bail fostering scheme has successfully facilitated and concluded two placements, and positive experiences have been reported by the carers, young people and professionals involved in this initiative. Post evaluation review has taken place, which evidenced the success of the scheme and the Trust's ability to facilitate a placement when assessed to be appropriate.

While there continues to be challenges in securing placements for teenagers and younger children with more complex needs there has been an increase in requests for baby placements. The service on occasion can struggle to identify suitable placements due to the need of a carer to be at home and have availability to manage high levels of contact. To respond to this need, there is an excellent working relationship between fostering and adoption services, placement

	<p>identification ensures children are placed in appropriate placements preventing multiple moves.</p> <p>Family Placement staff continue to work for some of our children/young people requiring placements, with colleagues from STAY Supported Lodgings and the Children with Disability Short Breaks service. This coordinated approach is very beneficial in pooling resources when trying to identify appropriate placements.</p>																																																																
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To prevent serious criminal damage to property	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
To prevent young person from leaving Home(due to risk of significant harm)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other (please specify)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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10.3.33	Looked After Children, School Attendance – School Year Ended 30 th June 2024																DOH
10.3.34	(a) Number of children notified to the police as having gone missing from residential or foster care for 24 hours or more? (This data will be sourced directly from the Untoward Event Report)																Untoward Events Database SPPG
	(b) How many Looked After Children have been reported to the Police for reasons other than having gone missing for 24 hours or more during the period? (This table should be completed for each Residential Facility, it is not required for Foster Carers)																DSF – LAC Spreadsheet
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	Reason	Primary		Secondary		16+		Total									
		No. of Children	No. of Events	No. of Children	No. of Events	No. of Children	No. of Events	No. of Children	No. of Events	No. of Children	No. of Events						
	Unauthorised Absence	0	0	1	4	1	3	2	7								
	Breach of Bail	0	0	1	3	0	0	1	3								
	Child At Risk	0	0	1	2	1	8	2	10								
	Criminal Damage within Placement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0								
	Assault within Placement	0	0	1	3	0	0	1	3								
	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0								
	Total	0	0	4	12	2	11	6	23								
	Total no of individual children this relates to:	0		2		1		3									

CEDAR GROVE

Reason	Primary		Secondary		16+		Total	
	No. of Children	No. of Events	No. of Children	No. of Events	No. of Children	No. of Events	No. of Children	No. of Events
Unauthorised Absence	0	0	0	0	3	5	3	5
Breach of Bail	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Child At Risk	0	0	0	0	3	20	3	20
Criminal Damage within Placement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Assault within Placement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
Total	0	0	0	0	7	26	7	26

Total no of individual children this relates to:	0		0		5		5	
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CHERRY GROVE

Reason	Primary		Secondary		16+		Total	
	No. of Children	No. of Events	No. of Children	No. of Events	No. of Children	No. of Events	No. of Children	No. of Events
Unauthorised Absence	0	0	2	6	2	16	4	22
Breach of Bail	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Child At Risk	0	0	0	0	1	5	1	5
Criminal Damage within Placement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Assault within Placement	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
Other	0	0	2	3	0	0	2	3
Total	0	0	5	10	3	21	8	31

Total no of individual children this relates to:	0		2		2		4	
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OAKTREE (formerly EDENVILLA)

Reason	Primary		Secondary		16+		Total	
	No. of Children	No. of Events	No. of Children	No. of Events	No. of Children	No. of Events	No. of Children	No. of Events
Unauthorised Absence	3	9	0	0	0	0	3	9
Breach of Bail	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Child At Risk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Criminal Damage within Placement	2	4	0	0	0	0	2	4
Assault within Placement	2	5	0	0	0	0	2	5
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	7	18	0	0	0	0	7	18

Total no of individual children this relates to:	3		0		0		3	
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WOODSIDE ADOLESCENT CENTRE, ARMAGH

Reason	Primary		Secondary		16+		Total	
	No. of Children	No. of Events	No. of Children	No. of Events	No. of Children	No. of Events	No. of Children	No. of Events
Unauthorised Absence	0	0	1	4	4	4	5	8
Breach of Bail	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Child At Risk	0	0	1	3	2	5	3	8
Criminal Damage within Placement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Assault within Placement	0	0	1	2	3	3	4	5
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	3	9	9	12	12	21

Total no of individual children this relates to:	0		1		4		5	
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10.3.35	<p>Number of children accommodated by ELB for 3 months or more by category</p> <p>There were no children accommodated by ELB for 3 months or more.</p>	DSF – LAC Spreadsheet
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10.3.36	<p>(a) Number of Sibling groups accommodated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Together • Not accommodated together at period end <p>Together – 86 sibling groups, relating to 192 children. Not accommodated together – 81 sibling groups, relating to 241 children.</p> <p>New admissions siblings group placed together is 7, which relates to 13 children. New admissions siblings group not placed together is 6, which relates to 8 children.</p>	Data Return 10
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	<p>The Trust strives to place siblings together but this is not always achievable or appropriate for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shortage of residential/fostering placements • Individual needs of young people cannot be met in one placement • Conflicting/competing needs of siblings • Large family groups • Different care plans eg. Older children in residential or foster care / younger siblings possibly requiring adoption • Different ages of young people • Rehabilitation to separate parents. 																																																																																																																																														
<p>10.3.37</p>	<p>Number of young people admitted to Secure Accommodation and the reasons for admission during the period</p> <p><i>This data is sourced directly from Lakewood (it will be forwarded by South Eastern Trust) – after this reporting period the data will be sourced from the Regional Secure panel which is located within SPPG</i></p>	<p>Lakewood/ Regional Panel</p>																																																																																																																																													
<p>10.3.38</p>	<p>Please provide report into the operation of the Trusts Restriction of Liberty Panel</p> <p><i>This data is collected annually and sourced from a Restriction of Liberty report (it comes in with DSF). The data will be sourced from the Regional Secure Panel going forward – panel began on 1.9.19.</i></p>	<p>Lakewood/ Regional Panel</p>																																																																																																																																													
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	Fostering Total	9	6	8	9	9	9	12	9	4	5	42	38	80
Placed at Home with Parents		1	0	1	2	3	3	3	1	1	1	9	7	16
Placed for Adoption		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	3	8	3	11
Overall TOTAL		10	6	9	11	12	12	16	10	15	9	62	48	110

(b) To your knowledge have any of the children admitted during the period been subject to a full Adoption Order

Children Subject to a full Adoption Order	<1		1-4		5-11		12-15		16+		Total		TOTAL
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
No of Children	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	1	2	3

(c) Of those children at 10.3.39(a) admitted to care during the period how many have previously been on the Child Protection Register in the last 2 years from the period end date

Children Previously on the Child Protection Register	<1		1-4		5-11		12-15		16+		Total		TOTAL
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
No of Children	8	5	4	8	8	8	9	3	3	2	32	26	58

(d) Number of Children and Young People who became Looked After during the period had a CLA1 form completed and forwarded to School?

CLA1 Form completed and forwarded to school	<1		1-4		5-11		12-15		16+		Total		TOTAL
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
No of Children	0	0	2	2	10	11	11	7	6	6	29	26	55

(e) Can you confirm that all the above admissions to care are properly recorded and do not include what should rightly be reported as a placement move (e.g. a fostering breakdown where the RESWS moves the child to a children's home)
Yes.

All admissions to care, discharges from care and placement moves are monitored via monthly information validation meetings in each locality. They are also recorded on the monthly Roles and Responsibilities return by each team. When

collated these returns are quality assured by the Head of Service for Children in Care.

10.3.40

(a) During the period how many children or young people became a Looked After Child by age, gender and legal status on admission;

DSF – LAC Spreadsheet

Legal status	<1		1-4		5-11		12-15		16+		Total		TOTAL
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Art 21(1) Accommodated <16	4	1	6	6	7	7	10	5	0	0	27	19	46
Art. 21(3) Accommodated 16+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	5	12	5	17
Art. 21(4) Accommodated	1	3	0	4	2	2	4	4	0	0	7	13	20
Art. 21(5) Accommodated 16+ <21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	3	4	7
Art. 44 (5) Secure	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Art. 44 (6) Interim Secure	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Art. 50 (1) (a) Care Order	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Art. 57 (1) Interim CO	3	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	4	4	8
Emergency Protection Order Art. 63	2	0	0	0	2	1	2	0	0	0	6	1	7
Art. 23(2) Accommodated	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	1	4
Other	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total	10	6	9	11	12	12	16	10	15	9	62	48	110

(b) (i) Were these admissions planned, unplanned or emergency;

For each of the above totals how many of	<1		1-4		5-11		12-15		16+		Total		TOTAL
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	

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Planned	9	5	2	4	4	4	4	2	2	3	21	18	39	
Unplanned	1	1	3	6	2	4	7	2	7	4	20	17	37	
Emergency	0	0	4	1	6	4	5	6	6	2	21	13	34	
Total	10	6	9	11	12	12	16	10	15	9	62	48	110	

(ii) Of those that were unplanned or emergency how many were admitted to kinship foster care? 21

(iii) Of those unplanned or emergency admissions how many were admitted by RESWS? 10

10.3.41

During the period how many children or young people ceased to be Looked After by age, gender and length of time looked after at discharge

DSF – LAC Spreadsheet

Length of time Looked After prior to discharge	<1		1-4		5-11		12-15		16+		Total		T O T A L
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Under 2 weeks	2	0	0	0	2	0	3	4	0	3	7	7	14
2 weeks < 6 weeks	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	2
6 weeks < 3 Months	0	0	0	1	1	1	2	1	1	0	4	3	7
3 Months < 6 months	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	3	4
6 Months < 1 Year	0	0	0	0	3	3	2	0	5	1	10	4	14
1 yr < 2 yrs	0	0	1	3	3	3	1	0	4	1	9	7	16
2 yrs < 3 yrs	0	0	3	0	3	1	1	1	0	3	7	5	12
3yrs < 5 yrs	0	0	2	2	1	4	0	0	1	7	4	13	17
5 yrs < 10 yrs	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	7	2	9	4	13
10+ yrs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	4	6	4	10
Total	3	2	6	6	14	16	10	6	25	21	58	51	109

10.3.42

(a) Of all the children and young people reported at 10.3.41 what was their destination at discharge by age and gender

DSF – LAC Spreadsheet

Destination	<1		1-4		5-11		12-15		16+		Total		TOTAL
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Returned to Parents/Siblings	1	1	2	2	8	9	9	4	5	6	25	22	47

	Returned to family/Relatives/friends	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	2	4	0	6	4	10								
	Adopted	0	0	3	3	4	6	0	0	0	0	7	9	16								
	Independent living/Tenancy (NIHE/H Assoc./Private etc)									5	1	5	1	6								
	Foster Carers (GEM)									10	10	10	10	20								
	Jointly Commissioned Supported Accommodation Projects									0	2	0	2	2								
	Bed + Breakfast									0	0	0	0	0								
	Hostel, Foyer									0	0	0	0	0								
	Supported Board and Lodgings									0	1	0	1	1								
	Prison, Hospital									0	0	0	0	0								
	Other	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	5	2	7								
	Total	3	2	6	6	14	16	10	6	25	21	58	51	109								
	(b) Of those 16+ year olds who ceased to be Looked After during the period what was their entitlement to Leaving Care Services by age and gender																					
		16		17		Total																
	Category	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	TOTAL								
	Number entitled to access Leaving Care Services	0	0	22	18	22	18	22	18	22	18	22	18	40								
	Number not entitled to access Leaving Care Services	0	3	3	0	3	0	3	0	3	0	3	0	6								
	Total	0	3	25	18	25	18	25	18	25	21	25	21	46								
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10.3.44	(a) Please provide the total number of children that became subject of a Residence Order during the period.																					
	6 children became subject of a Residence Order during the period.																					
	For (a) above please give the number of children that were formerly placed with Stranger (Foster Carers), Kinship (Foster Carers), Residential Care or other placement.																					
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10.4 CHILDREN (LEAVING CARE) ACT (NI) 2002

Article 34E, Article 34F

10.4.1

Number of young people subject to Leaving Care Act by category, age and gender.

DSF-16+ Spreadsheet

Category	Male						T o t a l M a l e	Female						T o t a l F e m a l e	T O T A L
	16	17	18	19	20	21+		16	17	18	19	20	21+		
Eligible	24	28					52	34	30					64	116
Relevant	0	0					0	0	0					0	0
Former Relevant			42	30	26	3	101			29	21	26	19	95	196
Qualifying	0	0	1	1	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Total	24	28	43	31	27	3	156	34	30	29	21	26	19	159	315

10.4.2

Of those eligible young people reported at 10.4.1 give the Children Order Legal Status at period end.

DSF-16+ Spreadsheet

Legal Status	16	17	Total
Accommodated (Article 21)	13	25	38
Care order (Art 50 or 59)	42	33	75
Interim Care Order (Art 57)	3	0	3
Deemed Care Order	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
Total	58	58	116

Age reference table will automatically update as spreadsheets completed.

Category	16	17	18	19	20	21+	Total
Eligible	58	58	0	0	0	0	116
Relevant	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Former Relevant	0	0	71	51	52	22	196
Qualifying	0	0	1	1	1	0	3
Total	58	58	72	52	53	22	315

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Jointly Commissioned Supported Accommodation Projects	1	8	9
Unregulated Placement	12	21	33
Other	0	0	0
Total	58	58	116

(b) Relevant;

Living Arrangements	16	17	Total
Tenancy (NIHE/H Assoc/Private)	0	0	0
At Home with Parents/Siblings	0	0	0
Jointly Commissioned Supported Accommodation Projects	0	0	0
Relatives/friends	0	0	0
Hostel, B+B, Foyer	0	0	0
Supported Board and Lodgings	0	0	0
Halls of residence/Student Accommodation	0	0	0
Prison	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

(c) Former Relevant;

Living Arrangements	18	19	20	21+	Total
Former Foster Carers (GEM)	26	14	11	8	59
Tenancy (NIHE/H Assoc/Private)	10	9	20	8	47
At Home with Parents/Siblings	6	10	10	0	26
Jointly Commissioned Supported Accommodation Projects	7	1	0	0	8
Relatives/friends	6	8	5	1	20
Hostel, B+B, Foyer	0	0	0	0	0
Supported Board and Lodgings	9	2	2	1	14
Halls of residence/Student Accommodation	1	3	2	4	10
Prison	0	0	0	0	0
Other	6	4	2	0	12
Total	71	51	52	22	196

(d) Qualifying young people.

Living Arrangements	16	17	18	19	20	21+	Total
Former Foster Carers (GEM)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tenancy (NIHE/H Assoc/Private)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
At Home with Parents/Siblings	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Jointly Commissioned Supported Accommodation Projects	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Relatives/friends	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Hostel, B+B, Foyer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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	Prison	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	0	0	1	1	1	0	3
10.4.10	Of the young people reported at 10.4.1 what is their current education, training and employment status, and how many are being supported financially at period end?							DSF-16+ Spreadsheet
	(a) Eligible;							
		16	17	Total	No. Receiving Financial support			
	Secondary Level Education	26	9	35	30			
	Further Education	6	15	21	14			
	Training (Govt. sponsored training)	9	15	24	18			
	Pre-Vocational	5	5	10	0			
	Employment	6	3	9	2			
	ETE Inactive	3	10	13	7			
	Training (Non Govt. sponsored training)	1	1	2	2			
	Other(Sick/Disabled, Parent, Carer)	2	0	2	0			
	Total	58	58	116	73			
	(b) Relevant;							
		16	17	Total	No. Receiving Financial support			
	Secondary Level Education	0	0	0	0			
	Further Education	0	0	0	0			
	Training (Govt. sponsored training)	0	0	0	0			
	Pre-Vocational	0	0	0	0			
	Employment	0	0	0	0			
	ETE Inactive	0	0	0	0			
	Training (Non Govt. sponsored training)	0	0	0	0			
	Other	0	0	0	0			
	Total	0	0	0	0			
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Secondary Level Education	9	1	0	0	10	10
Further Education	9	7	4	2	22	18
Higher Education	1	2	9	14	26	26
Training (Govt. sponsored training)	18	3	0	1	22	19
Pre-Vocational	6	3	0	0	9	1
Employment	10	14	19	3	46	11
ETE Inactive	16	16	11	0	43	25
Training (Non Govt. sponsored training)	1	3	0	0	4	4
Other	1	2	9	2	14	11
Total	71	51	52	22	196	125

(d) Qualifying young people.

ETE Status	16	17	18	19	20	21+	Total	No. Receiving Financial support
Secondary Level Education	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Further Education	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Higher Education	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Training (Govt. sponsored training)	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
Pre-Vocational	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Employment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ETE Inactive	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Training (Non Govt. sponsored training)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Total	0	0	1	1	1	0	3	1

10.4.11

Of the young people reported at 10.4.1 how many were convicted during this reporting period?

DSF-16+ Spreadsheet

Category	Convictions within last 12 months	Number of Care Leavers formally cautioned during the period	Number of Care Leavers formally remanded during the period	Number of Care Leavers formally convicted during the period
Eligible	Not Required	1	2	3
Relevant		0	0	0
Qualifying		0	0	0
Former Relevant		1	2	1

	Total	0	2	4	4		
10.4.12	Of the young people reported at 10.4.1 how many have a disability by major disability – physical, sensory, learning, chronic illness, Autism (see definition) and other, type and gender at period end?					DSF-16+ Spreadsheet	
	Type of Disability	Male	Female	Total			
	Physical (Ex. Sensory)	1	2	3			
	Sensory	0	1	1			
	Learning	0	3	3			
	Chronic illness	0	1	1			
	Autism(ASD)/ Aspergers/ADHD	17	16	33			
	Other (undefined)	2	0	2			
	No Disability	136	136	272			
	Total	156	159	315			
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10.4.13	Of the young people reported at 10.4.1 what is their parental status at period end?					DSF-16+ Spreadsheet	
	Parental Status	No of Young People					
	Parent	8					
	Lone Parent	6					
10.4.14	Of the young people reported at 10.4.1 how many are receiving treatment for mental health issues at period end? Of these, how many were new referrals to mental health services during the period?					DSF-16+ Spreadsheet	
	Mental Health Concerns	No. of Young People waiting for or receiving Mental Health interventions/services	Number of new referrals to mental health intervention/services during period (01.04.24-30.09.24).				

	Mental Health Concerns	49	9	
	Self Harm	7	3	
10.4.15	Number of Young People who are no longer Looked After but who died during the current reporting period and were in receipt of aftercare services by cause/age.			DSF-16+ Spreadsheet

10.5 FOSTERING

10.5.1	<p>(a) How many foster carers are registered with the Trust at period end? How many of the carers above also provide a GEM placement? Of the carers above how many are Prospective adopters dually approved as foster carers? Of the Prospective Adopters/Dually Approved carers above how many are Concurrent Foster/Adoptive Carers?</p>	DSF-Foster Care Spreadsheet																																																															
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(b) Please give the number of other foster carers;

Other Foster carers	No. of Carers
Independent Provider Foster Carers	5
Carers providing care only to children with a disability and who are not available to provide care for Looked After Children	13
Total	18

(c) Please give a breakdown of the number of foster carers de-registered during the period and the reason;

No. of Foster Carers de-registered during the period*, by reason.	Kinship Carers	Non Kinship Carers	No. of Carers De-registered	Total No. of places De-registered
Carer has adopted or been granted a residence order	5	0	5	5
No longer wishing to foster	8	9	17	26
Retired/phased out	8	3	11	15
Deregistered following concerns re: care of child/ren	0	0	0	0

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10.5.3	<p>How many foster carers have annual reviews outstanding?</p> <p>There are 20 annual reviews outstanding at the end of the reporting period.</p> <p>5 carers on a break 2 carers current medical problems 1 carer checks outstanding 7 staff on sick/maternity leave 3 awaiting De registration 1 Not progressed due to carers specific circumstances 1 checks in progress</p> <p>Please provide the number of viability visits undertaken during the reporting period. (moved from 10.5.1f)</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Viability Visits</th> <th>Joint Visits</th> <th>Visits completed by Child's Social Worker</th> <th>Visits completed by Supervising Social Worker</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>34</td> <td>28</td> <td>0</td> <td>6</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Note: Joint Visit - Child's social worker and supervising social worker Single Visit completed by Child's Social Worker Single Visit completed by Supervising Social Worker</p>				Viability Visits	Joint Visits	Visits completed by Child's Social Worker	Visits completed by Supervising Social Worker	34	28	0	6	<p>Data return 10</p> <p>DSF-Foster Care Spreadsheet</p>
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	<p>to ensure outstanding reviews are completed.</p> <p>Managers continue to ensure reviews are completed in a timely manner and these are constantly updated through supervision, and agreed action plan re circumstances of carer at that time and timescales agreed to progress. Unfortunately, there was significant staff sick leave during the reporting period thus some delay in completing annual reviews. Staff are now in post and these reviews will be progressed as soon as possible. There is also ongoing discussion regarding the difficulty in accessing medicals, which also creates delay. Processes are in place seeking carers to complete a medical declaration form, with follow up contact with GP and consent for staff to access NIECR.</p>	
<p>10.5.5</p>	<p>What action is being taken to maintain and increase the range, diversity and supply of foster care places</p> <p>The Trust Family Placement Recruitment Service continues to use every opportunity to promote the need for foster carers, primarily using social media and by having a continued presence in the local communities. The regional recruitment group meets on a three-weekly basis, all Trusts have a recruitment planner in place to identify activities happening in each Trust area for the coming year. In this reporting period the Recruitment Service has been involved in several initiatives highlighting the positive outcomes of fostering for both carers and the young people. The recruitment team have co-opted several carers and care experienced young people to help with the recruitment of foster carers.</p> <p>In conjunction with other Trusts, staff continue to promote virtual fostering sessions for Trust staff, as well as the public. Family placement staff, along with colleagues in STAY and Children with Disability Services, have produced a robust recruitment plan for the coming months, and ensure the fostering message is ever present in the community.</p> <p>In conjunction with the regional fostering and adoption services there is ongoing development of partnerships with sporting organisations, Education and more recently NIE.</p> <p>The Family Placements volunteer scheme is now well established for those individuals who cannot foster due to family commitments or accommodation issues. Whilst this does not create immediate capacity, it has supported the increase in supports to placements that are fragile and under pressure. It is of note that some of these volunteers are considering undertaking full fostering assessments. There will be an evaluation of this service in the coming months to consider future development and resources.</p>	<p>Data return 10</p>

The staff in family placement facilitate a Trust wide recruitment group, which includes staff from Supported Lodgings, as well as the Short Breaks Children with Disability scheme; the group also includes a foster carer and representative from Home for Good. These monthly meetings review current trends, discuss the success of various initiatives, and agree plans for future activity.

There are ongoing challenges in recruiting carers for children with highly complex needs and we are continuing to explore what supports are required to manage such placements. There are also separate monthly network meetings which explore the supports in place or needed for currently approved carers and their families.

The retention of foster carers also provides a form of recruitment, therefore the Trust continue to have an active role with the retention group. Foster carers in the Southern Trust have voiced their views in respect of support and have highlighted the importance of regular opportunities for social connection, including family days at key times of the year, regular coffee mornings, flower arranging events and well-being initiatives, such as walking groups. A carer's appreciation event has recently taken place, plans are in place to hold events at Halloween, and Christmas days are currently being planned in conjunction with the Foster Care Support Groups.

Under the Children's Social Services Strategic Reform Board, a specific work stream has been established with a focus on fostering which will consider recruitment, retention, as well as a fee paid structure and ultimately the development of a regional fostering strategy.

Work is ongoing in respect of the NIFITC model of therapeutic care and the next step on this journey is to commence training in relation to same with staff within the Family Placement service, as well as the staff and carers within the Intensive Support Scheme. It is hoped that having trauma informed staff and carers will lead to better outcomes for children and young people. Regular contact is maintained between the Scaffold service and the Fostering Training co-ordinator in considering future training need for foster carers.

Placements for asylum seeking young people continues to be an ongoing need and pressure for the Trust given the increased referrals. Given the age range of these young people is mainly 16/17 years, many have been placed within supported accommodation. There are, on occasions, requests for foster placements for asylum seeking children under 16 years, and as such we continue to maintain this as a priority within the recruitment process.

The Southern Trust's partnership with 'Home for Good' is delivering the fostering message to Church based communities throughout the

	<p>Trust. There is also ongoing links with the Catholic Church, and opportunity to have a presence to promote fostering after church services. Social media continues to be a powerful tool in promoting fostering in the community and the recruitment team share and post a range of photographs and stories, discussing and exploring the role of foster carers.</p> <p>Virtual training courses for ‘Skills to Foster’ and ‘Preparation to Adopt’ are now well established within the Trust and these programmes continue to be delivered on a regular basis. Family Placement panels have continued to approve applicants, both in terms of Kinship and stranger foster carers. Given the demands and pressures on stranger placements, there is a significant rise in the number of Kinship carer placements. While this is positive, in that children can remain with family, there are occasions where such placements require a robust support package to ensure the children’s needs are prioritised.</p> <p>As in other years, several carers have left the service for a range of reasons. When this occurs, staff complete an exit strategy meeting to ensure their views about the services are collated and used for future learning.</p>	
<p>10.6</p>	<p>(a) Please provide the number of Allegations made against Foster carers during 1/4/24 - 30/9/24</p> <p>There were 3 allegations against foster carers during this reporting period. One has been resolved and the other two are with the police for further investigation.</p> <p>(b) Please provide the number of Complaints made against Foster carers during the period 1/4/24 - 30/9/24</p> <p>There were no complaints made against Foster Carers during this reporting period.</p>	<p>DSF-Foster Care Spreadsheet</p>

10.5 PRIVATE FOSTERING The Children Order (NI) 1995 - Part X NB Advice from DLS is that the 28day period should be continuous.				
10.5.6	<p>What steps has the Trust taken to encourage notifications?</p> <p>The Trust, in conjunction with SPPG continues to review policy and procedure in respect of this matter and has also agreed the content of a range of leaflets for carers, social workers and young people.</p> <p>Senior Management will continue to review, with relevant Heads of Service, what other awareness is required in respect of Trust staff and members of the public.</p>	DSF-Foster Care Spreadsheet		
10.5.7	<p>How many Private Fostering Arrangements under Article 106 are in place within the Trust as at the 30th September?</p> <p style="text-align: right;">0</p>	DSF-Foster Care Spreadsheet		
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10.5.12	<p>Number of appeals made during the year under Article 113</p> <p style="text-align: right;">0</p>	DSF-Foster Care Spreadsheet		
10.5.13	<p>Are supervisory visits undertaken in accordance with Regulation 3(1)(a) and (b) as a minimum to children privately fostered? Please provide details of any circumstances where the Regulation has not been adhered to.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">0</p>	DSF-Foster Care Spreadsheet		
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For any 'other' adoption orders, please provide more detail below.

Not applicable.

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	<p>has employed an additional medical advisor who reviews and provides advice in respect of any medical matters for those undertaking assessment.</p> <p>During the assessment, couples are offered the opportunity to attend concurrent care training, foundation course in nurturing and attachments as well as dual approved training. Access to regional training is also offered through Adoption UK</p> <p>Once approved at panel, the prospective adopter is allocated an adoption social worker who will offer support by sourcing additional training, encouraging attendance at support groups. This worker will also be involved in any potential match for a child with the carers. If placed with children on a concurrent care basis, carers are entitled to fostering allowances and adoption social workers will continue to offer support and advice through this extremely emotive and often challenging protracted legal process.</p>	
<p>10.6.13</p>	<p>Details of Post Adoption Support - this section should include data in respect of the number of and action taken in respect of placement breakdowns both pre (i.e. where adoption is the Care Plan) and post Adoption Order</p>	<p>Data Return 10</p>
	<p>(Analysis)</p> <p>Adoption services continues to offer Post Adoption support to all adopters as required. Current data confirms there are more than 200 adopters on the Adoption register. All adopters are allocated a named social worker, however there is often limited engagement from most adopters especially in the early years following the granting of an adoption order. All adopters are invited to training delivered by the service and there is also an opportunity to attend support groups and fun days which include adopted children, as well as birth children.</p> <p>All post adoption contact is managed by staff within the service and a post adoption support and contact plan is agreed and shared with all adopters and birth families prior to an adoption order being granted. Contact is reviewed on a regular basis to ensure it is meeting the needs of the child. Staff also support birth parents with indirect contact by assisting them in writing letters and providing information as appropriate.</p> <p>The service also provides a range of financial and practical supports to adopter’s post adoption. Approximately 98 children are in receipt of adoption allowances, while other families may receive supports services such as childminding or therapeutic support at times of crisis. The service works closely with Scaffold therapeutic service and families/children can be referred for therapeutic support. It is hoped this service will develop further with the introduction of the regulations in respect of the Adoption and Children’s Act. Staff are aware of the requirements of the new legislation</p>	

	<p>and the service is reviewing current structure to take account of future service delivery.</p> <p>Several adoptive families require high level of support and regular planning meetings are held to identify suitable supports and prevent breakdown. Unfortunately within this reporting period there has been a breakdown of an adoption placement with the young person being admitted to residential care. It is worth noting that further resources and training will be required to upskill staff in areas of Child Protection and CSE as many adopted children require additional support during teenage years.</p> <p>Adoption services staff provide support groups for adopted young people and offer outreach support to a range of children where placements are under pressure. Staff implement the DDP model of training and follow the Dan Hughes PACE model ensuring therapeutic parenting is at the core of our practice.</p> <p>The service continues to review its current structures to ensure there is a timely response and intervention to those families in crisis.</p> <p>The service is also responsible for supporting adoptees/birth parents and wider family members in accessing birth records. This is a very skilled area of work, which requires staff who have an understanding and expertise in this area. The service has identified 3 staff to progress these enquiries and support individuals/families through this process. Introduction of guidance in respect of access to birth records and increased demand for access to birth records has required additional staff resource to provide information within agreed timescales. This is highly skilled area of work and will require ongoing review to ensure the needs of adoptees and birth family are met through this highly emotional process.</p>	
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EARLY YEARS

Sector	Current Provision		Registrations/ Deregistrations/ Voluntary Ceased		
	Total Number of Services	Number of Places	Number New Registrations During period	De-registrations	
				Number Deregiste red by the Trust during period	No Voluntary Ceased during the period
Day Nursery	56	3385	2	0	1
Out of School within Day Nursery	43	1194			
Total Day Nursery Places		4579			
Creche	6	107	0	0	0
Playgroup	95	2926	0	0	3
Stand-Alone Out of School	34	1134	1	0	2
Childminder	341	2022	15	0	14
Approved Home Childcarers	18	0	1	0	2
Holiday Scheme	0	0	0	0	0
Two year old Prog.	24	409	2	0	0
Total	574	11177	21	0	22

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10.7.2

Registration issues and commentary as at period end
(If any challenges or issues please provide a brief analysis)

There has been a small increase in the number of registered providers and with this a small increase in the number of registered places. Registered childminders may only have increased by one but previously there had been a steady decline in the number of childminders. There were no de-registrations in the past six months and 22 voluntarily ceased providing a service.

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	<p>there are delays, this is usually because of vetting requirements or health and safety issues. There have been significant staffing changes within registered day care provision and this has resulted in a significant increase in the number of vetting applications. Inspection activity remains high, and most inspections are completed within the required timescales and are presented to the Trust Early Years Panel for approval.</p>																																																																																																																																																	
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10.8 Complaints & Representation		
10.8.1	<p>Does the Trust have an appropriately authorised and experienced children’s complaints officer? Yes</p> <p>The Assistant Director for Social Work, Workforce Development and Training is the authorised Children Complaints Officer in conjunction with the CYPS Governance Department. The CYPS Governance Department receive all contact cards from children and young people and a visit is arranged via the relevant Head of Service.</p>	Data Return 10
10.8.2	<p>Does the Trust have an independent advocacy service for children and their families? Yes</p> <p>The Trust promotes the use of advocacy in many forms: Personal Advisors; VOYPIC; allocated key workers are some examples. VOYPIC is involved on an ongoing basis with all of the residential facilities and are also available to all Trust Looked After Children if required.</p> <p>The Patient and Client Council also provide free and confidential advice, information and help to service users to make a complaint.</p>	Data Return 10
10.8.3	<p>Please confirm arrangements are in place to ensure that all complaints – both formal and informal – from children and their families are recorded and dealt with?</p> <p>The DoH Regional Guidance in relation to the Health & Social Care Complaints Procedure, April 2023 and the Southern Health and Social Care Trust Policy and Procedures for the Management of Service User Feedback, July 2022, both operate within the Trust.</p> <p>The Directorate continues to encourage service users and their carers to make their views known. The Trust’s “We Value Your Views” leaflet is widely available and actively promoted throughout the Directorate. In addition, the Children Order complaint leaflets and posters are issued to all children and young people known to Directorate staff. Copies were placed in all facilities.</p> <p>Checks are in place via Looked After Children reviews as to whether a Looked After Young person, their parents or carers have any complaints regarding any part of the service during the review period. The Review of Arrangements documentation for the LAC review notes whether the young person, parents and carers have received information regarding the complaints procedures and who will take</p>	Data Return 10

	responsibility for doing so if they have not received it.	
10.8.4	<p>Please confirm whistle-blowing arrangements are in place to ensure that concerns raised by staff working in children’s services are recorded and dealt with?</p> <p>The Trust has a Whistle Blowing Policy in place to complement the Regional Framework ‘your right to raise a concern’. This ensures that concerns raised by staff working in children’s services are recorded and dealt with. Staff are appraised of this policy in their induction into the Trust. The HR Team have established a series of in-person and virtual clinics for managers. These clinics aim to provide a forum for managers to hear the lessons arising from Whistleblowing cases in the Trust and to provide an opportunity for discussion on what managers can do if they have concerns raised in their teams or service. Human Resources Manager for Raising Concerns has been appointed to support staff in raising concerns.</p>	Data Return 10
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10.9 SEPARATED CHILDREN

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10.9.1	Number of separated children referred to Gateway Teams by status of children for this period (self-reported age at presentation)	SPPG Separated Children Database
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