Children with an Early Help Assessment Initiated during month

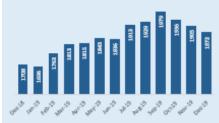
December 2019

Rate per
10,000TargetVariance260+106Previous
moathChange in
performancHigh is good373

During the month of December, an Early Help Assessment was started for 109 children. This is 1 more than the monthly target.

The number of Early Help Assessments initiated over a 12 month period is now 1872. This equates to a rate per 10,000 of 366.

Number of EHAs initiated over 12 months





CSC Commentary

The number of Early Help Assessments initiated in December 2019 is lower than the number initiated in November but is very much as predicted and follows the same trend as in previous years. The greatest number of Early Help Assessments are generated by schools and both December and January figures are representative of the shortened month due to the school Christmas break. We are continuing to see a good number of Early Help Assessments that pass through the LA Gateway on first appearance. This is very promising and continues to demonstrates the positive impact the Professional Gateway Pack is having. We will continue to monitor this over the coming months.

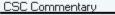
2 enquiries to referrals

26.3%

Low is good

17.7%.

December 2019 **Enquiries progressing to referral** Target Variance Number of Enguiries Number of referrals —Target +1.3%25% Previous Change in 1283 month performanc 1256 1254 1182 1118 27.1% 1105 1080 988 During the month of December Children Social Care received 892 enquiries and started 158 new referrals. This is a ratio of Mar-19 Apr-19 Jul-19 Dec-18 Jan-19 Feb-19 May-19 Jun-19 Aug-19 Sep-19 Oct-19 Nov-19 Dec-19 -43 -39 -34 -123 -5 -12 -65 year is now 26.3%. Monthly variance from target



The conversion from contact has been an automatic process where all contacts were progressed to referrals although all did not progress to or require a single assessment. Changes in the functionality of LCS introduced on 28th May have enabled contacts to be passed through to Assessment Service so that the decision as to whether threshold is met for a statutory service can be made based on case need rather than based on LL process. Performance in December (17.7%) is below target (25%) but year to date performance continues to move in the right direction. Unfortunately it has become evident that contacts coming from MASH cannot be rejected by the Assessment Teams without converting them into referrals which will have some impact on the NFA outcome and also on re referral rate. This has been raised with LL but remains unresolved at this time.

The ratio of enquiries to referrals since the beginning of the financial



892

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Re-referrals within 12 months

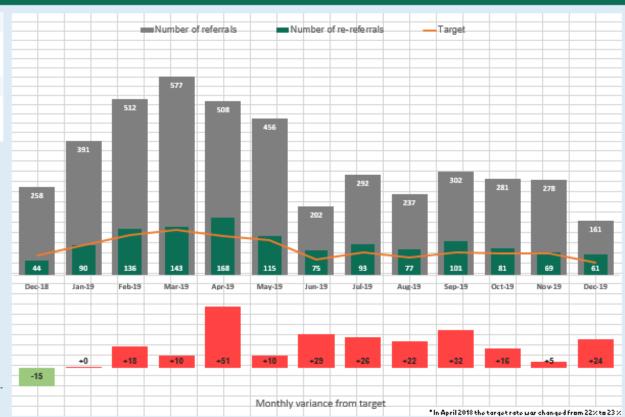
Variance

% re-referrals
(YTD) Target 23.0% +7.9% 30.9% Previous Change in month performanc 30.5% Low is good

Out of 161 children who had a referral starting in December, 61 had had another referral with a start date in the previous 12 months. This is a ratio of 37.9%.

30.9% of all referrals started since the beginning of the financial year were rereferrals.

	2018/1 9	Current rate vs benchmark	
Local Authority	22%	+8.9%	
Stat Neighbours	23%	+7.9%	
Region	19%		-
England	23%	+7.9%	



CSC Commentary

The number of re-referrals increased this month and our monthly figure was 37.9%. The target is 23% and unfortunately this has had an impact on the YTD which increased slightly to 30.9%. We have been scrutinising cases to understand better what sits behind the reireferrals and have discovered a variety of reasons rather than any particular issue. A LL issue has come up in that MASH cases passed through to the Assessment Service have to be converted into referrals before they can be closed down if threshold for intervention is not met. This has been raised with LL and is being monitored for impact. The issue of opening up all children has also been flagged with CSC as an area that needs to be addressed.

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Single Assessments Completed on time

2 SAs
completed onTargetVariance90%#######60.1%Previous
performanc57.5%▲

Out of 201 Single Assessments completed in December, 166 were completed within 45 working days. This is 15 less than the 90% target.

60.1% of all Single Assessments completed since the beginning of the financial year were completed on time.





CSC Commentary

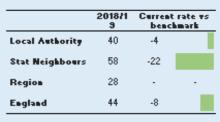
Significant work has been undertaken to address the performance and this month there has been a further uplift in assessments being completed within timescales (82.6%). This has positively impacted on the YTD figure which now sits at 60.1%. This is an area of continued focus for all service areas as we remain some way off our statistical neighbours and eastern region colleagues.

Number of children on a Child Protection Plan

Rate per
10,000TargetVariance42#######36.4Previous
monthChange in
performancLow is good34.6

At the end of December, there were 186 children on a Child Protection Plan. This is 24 below the target, and equates to a rate per 10,000 of 36.4.





The number of children subject to a child protection plan remains below target.

CP end after

2+ years (2

2.3%

Child Protection Plans lasting 2 Years or More

Variance

-0.2%

Change in

A

performanc

Low is good 0 out of the 17 children with a Child Protection plan ending in December were on a Child Protection plan for a period of 2 years or more. This is a ratio of 0.0%.

Target

2.5%

Previous

month

2.5%

2.3% of all Child Protection episodes which ended since the beginning of the financial year lasted for a period of 2 years.

CSC Commentary

There were no CP plans stepped down in December that have been in place for 2 or more years. There is currently one sibling group of 4 children who have been CP for over two years. The RCPC for this sibling group is in March 2020 and conversations will take place with the core group in the New Year in relation to stepping down if progress continues.





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December 2019 Statutory Child Protection visits held on time 2 CP visits held Target Variance on time Children due a CP visit Children with CP visit recorded -Target 98% ##### 219 216 205 84.5% 199 Previous Change in 193 188 184 performanc 183 month 183 181 175 162 161 ##### High is good A Child Protection Statutory Visit was recorded for 136 children out of the 161 who were due such a visit during the last 4 weeks of December. This is a ratio of 84.5%. 207 212 174 187 Jan-19 Feb-19 Mar-19 Apr-19 May-19 Jun-19 Jul-19 Aug-19 Sep-19 Oct-19 Nov-19 Dec-19 Dec-18 +0 +2 +0 +1-+3 +2 +3 -8 -13 -22 -8 -4

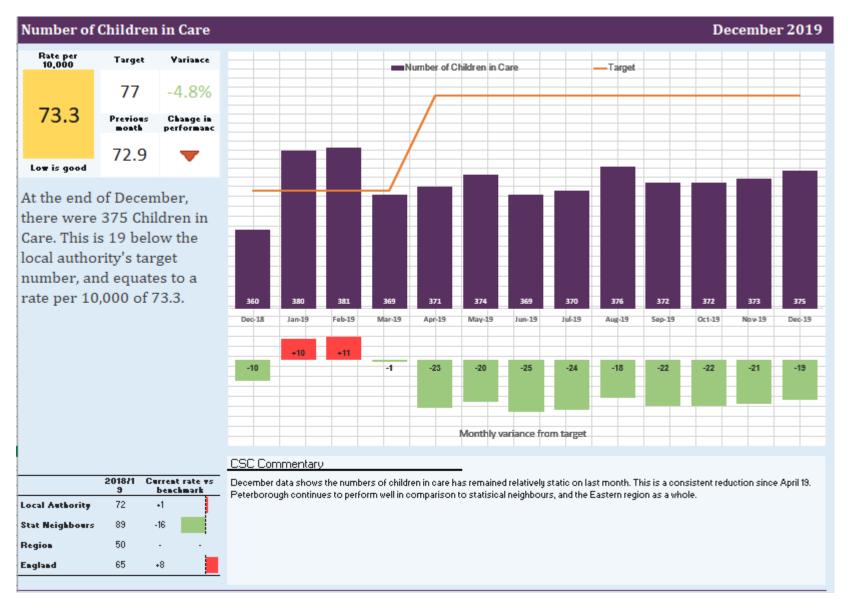
End of month % of CP visits held on time



CSC Commentary

This has decreased from the previous month's 100%. However this has been impacted by the shutdown times for Liquid Logic and also the Christmas shutdown. This does however continue to be an area that needs constant and continual vigilance to ensure that performance does not slip

Monthly variance from target





Local Authority	2018/1 9 8%	Current rate vs benchmark	
		-2.7%	
Stat Neighbours	10%	-4.7%	
Region	10%		-
England	10%	-4.7%	

This indicator has remained static on last month's performance. Placement break downs have reduced dramatically over the last 3 years with well established ilnternal systems offering effective support and interventions. Placement moves did occur but were anticipated and planned being in line with the overall care plan for the child, such as adoption and moving from semi-independent provision to renting their own property just prior to being 18.

CiC visits on time (2 YTD)

91.4%

Statutory Child in Care visits carried out on time

Variance

-6.6%

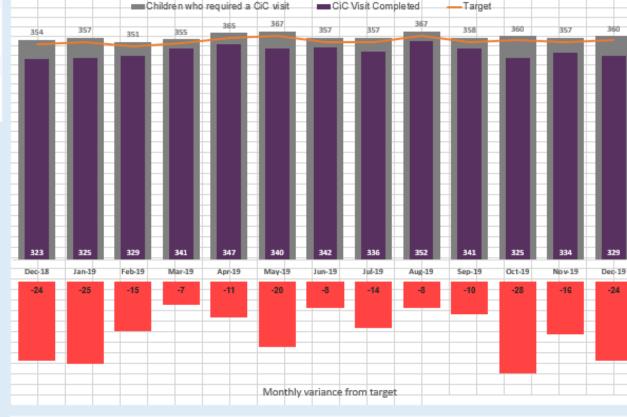
Change in performanc

High is good A Child in Care Statutory Visit was recorded for 329 children out of the 360 who were due such a visit during the 6 weeks or 3 months (if the child achieved permanency) leading up to the end of December. This is a ratio of 91.4%.

Target

98%

Previous month



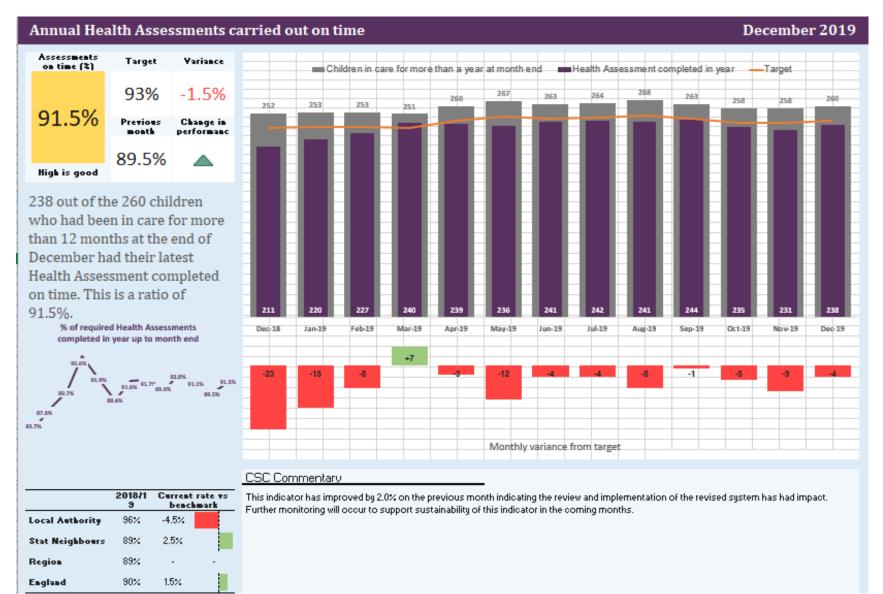
End of month % of CiC visits held on time



CSC Commentary

December saw a decrease in stat visits being undertaken and recorded on time. This has been addressed with individual workers. In addition to this there are currently 11 adoption cases showing in the system as still open that cannot be closed due to the administration issues within the workflow process of the ICS system. This is being worked through with IT but this will take some considerable time to fix as the system adoption pathway is outdated.

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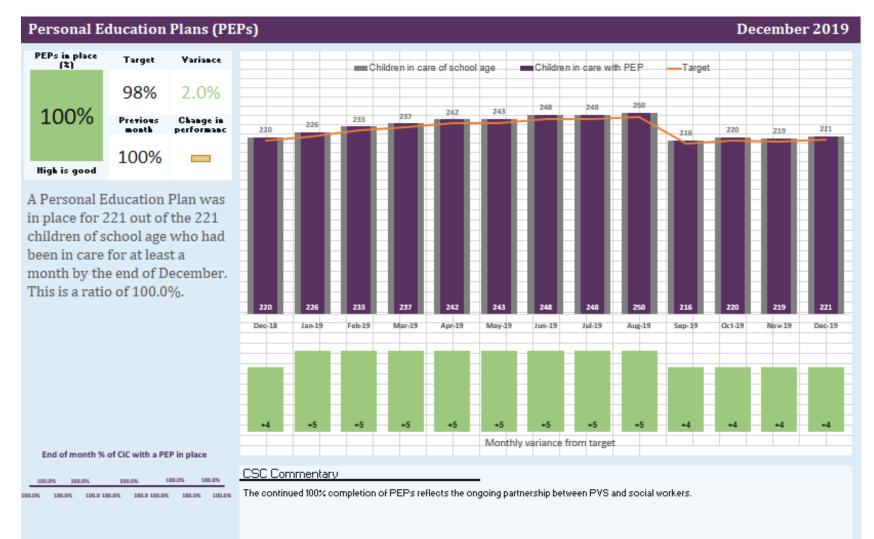
England

85%

-7.7%

Dental checks carried out on time December 2019 **Dental Checks** Target **Variance** on time (2) Dental Assessment completed in year -Target Children in care for more than a year at month end 93% ##### 267 268 263 264 263 260 260 258 258 253 253 252 251 77.3% Previous Change in month performanc 77.5% $\overline{}$ High is good 201 out of the 260 children who had been in care for more than 12 months at the end of December had their latest Dental Check completed on time. This is a ratio of 77.3%. Feb-19 Mar-19 Apr-19 May-19 Jun-19 Jul-19 Aug-19 Sep-19 Oct-19 Dec-19 Dec-18 Jan-19 Nov-19 % of required Dental Checks completed in year up to month end -30 -3 -33 -54 -26 -20 -45 -41 -47 -46 -40 -41 12.6% 91.6% 10.4% 77.63 11.0% 72.8% 77.5% 76.0% 75.4% 75.7% 79.5% 77.5% 77.3% Monthly variance from target CSC Commentary 2018/1 Current rate vs The performance indicator this month highlights a correlation with other health data. The drop is disappointing and will be monitored as highlighted benchmark 9 over the next 2 months. The impact of this will take a further period of 3 months to see the new process embedded. 94% -16.7% Local Authority Stat Neighbours 89% -11.7% 83% Region -

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