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Stockport Healthy College Standard: An audit tool for Every Child Matters

Stockport College, Aquinas College and Sheadle & Marple Sixth Form College are all working towards the Stockport Healthy College Standard (SHCS) which has been developed with the aid of funding from Stockport Drugs Action Team, the PHSE/Citizenship Service of the Stockport CYPD and Stockport PCT, using Kirklees Healthy College Standard as a framework.

With the advent of Youth Matters, Every Child Matters (ECM) and the subsequent OFSTED Inspection Framework, it was felt that the standard should be developed further in order to become an audit tool for the ECM outcomes and also Youth Matters.

The SHCS has been developed with this purpose in mind and contains a set of proformas for each of the seven criteria. Youth Matters outcomes have been mapped generically against each criterion. However, each criterion has a set of performance indicators and it is against these that ECM

outcomes have been mapped.

By studying the pro-formas for SHCS, it becomes apparent that the outcomes and aims identified in Every Child Matters can be addressed by the Stockport Healthy College Standard and will, for the most part, be achieved, by meeting the criteria. For Youth Matters SHCS provides a useful starting point and a skeleton on which to build.

An example of this is given below: Criterion 4: Student Health and Well Being. There are actually sixteen performance indicators for this criterion, but the following diagram uses the first 2 performance indicators to demonstrate how many of the ECM outcomes can be mapped. Evidence is then logged against the performance indicators and, in doing so, ECM outcomes are also audited. This helps to avoid duplication of audits throughout college.

Criterion 4: Student Wellbeing - AUDIT SHEET					
Performance Indicators					
The college must have an ethos which values the health & wellbeing of all students.					
Youth Matters: Outcome 1: Engaging in constructive activities; Outcome 2: Making a positive contribution; Outcome 3: Information, Advice and guidance; Outcome 4: All Young People achieving				CURRENT POSITION	
Every Child Matters Outcome	Performance indicator	Evidence	Action needed Yes No		
Make a Positive Contribution C & YP engage in decisionmaking/participate in college councils	1. College has consulted the student population on issues relating to this criterion				
Be Healthy - C & YP have access to appropriate range of support including mental & emotional - Healthy lifestyles are promoted for C & YP - C & YP have healthy lifestyles - C & YP are sexually healthy - C & YP choose not to take illegal drugs - Action is taken to promote C & YP's mental health	2 (a) A pastoral care system and practice, including the opportunity for all students and staff to talk about problems and access to guidance and advice. Details of in the staff handbook and student pack				
Enjoy & Achieve - Achieve stretching standards - Achieve personal & social development	2 (b) Students know what support is available in college i.e. where to go to discuss sensitive/problematic issues				
Achieve Economic Well-Being - C & YP engage in further education, employment or training on leaving college - C & YP ready for employment	2 (c) A structured tutorial system which includes the opportunity for students to identify and explore physical and mental health issues				
Stay safe - C & YP have security, stability & are cared for					