

Department of Health West Midlands

**West Midlands Infant Feeding Co-ordinators Network
Notes of Meeting Held
on Friday 11th June 2010 at 10 a.m.
Department of Health, c/o 5 St Philips Place, Room GA**

Present:

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| Karen Saunders | (KS) | Senior PH Manager |
| Caroline Mansell | (CM) | WM Infant Feeding Co-ordinator |
| Amanda Costello | (AC) | Wolverhampton Group of Hospitals Trust |
| Diane Woolliscroft | (DW) | Dudley PCT |
| Hilary Williams | (HW) | Wolverhampton PCT |
| Floreth Reynolds | (FR) | Greets Green Children Centre Sandwell |
| Samantha Smith | (SS) | University Hospitals Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Trust |
| Helena Stopes-Roe | (HS) | Birmingham Women's Hospital |
| Sue Aucutt | (SA) | Coventry Community Services |
| Caroline Payne | (CP) | Worcestershire Acute NHS Trust |
| Penny Turton | (PT) | Worcester Alexander Hospital Trust |
| Jo Heslop | (JH) | Sandwell PCT |
| Sarah Arnold | (SAr) | Coventry Community Services |
| Jackie Quick | (JQ) | Hereford Hospital NHS |
| Maria Kidd | (MK) | NHS South Birmingham |
| Helen Fidgeon | (HF) | Dudley PCT |
| Caroline Fownes | (CF) | South Birmingham PCT |
| Pam Cook | (PC) | Birmingham Women's Hospital NNU |
| Jenny Sutherland | (Jenny S) | Russell's Hall Hospital, Dudley Group of Hospitals |
| Jacqui-Wynn Jones | (JJ) | Shropshire County PCT |
| Katy Thompson | (KT) | Mid-Staffs NHS Foundation Trust |
| Alison Clayton | (AC) | Heart of England Foundation Trust & South Warwickshire NHS Foundation Trust |
| Mary MacDonald | (MMac) | NHS Warwickshire |
| Andrene Alejandro | (AA) | Heartlands Hospital, Heart of England Foundation Trust |
| Helen Elsoueydi | (HE) | New Cross Maternity, RWHT |
| Carmen Baskerville | (CB) | Solihull Care Trust |
| Michelle Atkin | (MA) | NCT Development Officer, West Midlands |
| Saima Kanwal | (SK) | NCT Partnerships Officer |
| Michelle Cox | | Minute Taker |

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| 1 | Apologies | |
| | Apologies were received from Gillian Smith, Diane Woolliscroft, Sarah Rock, Christina Lewis, Sue Taggart, Anita Cartlidge, Fiona Beckwith, Julia Brown, Josephine Locke, Rachel Andrew, Lorna Hartwell, Suzanne Hayes, Rebecca Jenkins-Handy | |
| | Welcome / Introductions KS welcomed the group and introductions were made. New members were welcomed to the group. | |
| 2 | Notes of Previous Meeting Read and agreed as an accurate record. | |
| 3 | Matters Arising Tongue-Tie KS referred to the paper CM had compiled for PCT Commissioners – CM stated attended Commissioners meeting on 27 April 2010 and presented Regional Tongue-Tie situation of areas that did not have a service, those who had a partial service and those sending out of area. It was decided that the Children’s Commissioner Leads Group would pick up Tongue-Tie Division Services as an issue, look into it locally and measure the quality of the services if available. They will look at these variables locally and will feed in information to local arrangements for maternity services in reconfiguration. Consensus is to locate Tongue-Tie Division Services more closely within Maternity Services, as gaps in service were recognised by commissioners. CM stated all Commissioners will get a report when KS and Helen Hipkiss signed it off. KS confirmed will get report finalised as soon as possible. | CM to finalise report |
| | Diabetes Research and DiPAG – Update CM confirmed full university ethical approval for the WM RIFCN Keele University research on breastfeeding and antenatal diabetes was received two weeks ago. CM reported there will be a Steering Group meeting after NBW. CM mentioned the Heads of Midwifery for each area will be approached to enquire whether they wish to be included in the diabetes research. CM requested group to complete Midwifery leads on attendance signing in sheet. CM referred to an email sent out to the group with the new (DiPAG) Diabetes in Pregnancy WM Regional Report from the Perinatal Institute. Recommendation 10 to promote and support breastfeeding more effectively for diabetic women. Report also on DiPAG website. KS stated delay with starting our own research with Keele was an opportunity to explore recommendation 10 which is in line with our own research plans. Research due to complete 9 months after it starts. SA asked for the proposal as new in post. CM to resend it out. | ALL CM to resend Keele Uni proposal |

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| | <p>National Breastfeeding Commissioning Guidance CM stated group had requested a CPD Workshop around implementing the local commissioning guidance and keeping it high profile. Janine Brown, the Joint Commissioner for Children’s Trust Board & Health and Local Authority in Sandwell has agreed to talk at CPD session. CM to arrange this CPD in either Sept or December 2010.</p> | <p>CM</p> |
| | <p>Healthy Start – Communications Update CM referred to Dec 09 session with Healthy Start Communications team, the new revamped HS resources: HS point of sale kits to stand vitamins on, badges in Health Centres, lanyards, inside out stickers, breastfeeding welcome here stickers – these have been promised for NBW but CM just been advised these will not be available until 2 weeks after NBW. CM advised to look at Prolog order site. KS confirmed the DH line is Healthy Start is continuing and to carry on good work. Regional Director of PH said we are doing much but KS said nationally we have fallen to only the 3rd highest region in terms of uptake across children and women’s vitamins at 2.2%. These percentages are not good and KS confirmed the Regional Director of PH will be putting pressure on Directors of PH to increase the percentages. Regional trajectories set at 10%. KS stated some areas still not claiming for vitamins. KS confirmed more needs to be done. KS interested to receive feedback on successes, challenges and recommendations on how to improve these figures.</p> | <p>ALL</p> |
| | <p>Start4Life / Change4Life Update CM stated Regional Evaluation of Start4Life Road show was positive. In the evaluation, some Children’s Centres comments seemed out of context. KS and CM agreed this needs to be removed and CM querying this comment before putting slide pack on website. DH ‘Weaning’ Leaflet: CM referred to old weaning leaflet, now renamed ‘Introduction to Solid Foods’ has been updated in terms of content and stylised in terms of Start4Life. Although ready for a few weeks - it is now on hold. KS stated that as far as we know at present Change4Life/Start4Life campaign still ongoing. KS confirmed at a local level activity can continue but we are not currently doing any WM-wide media or press coverage for Change4Life. CM referred group to the information in the new ‘Birth to 5’ guide and the revised Building Blocks leaflet in the interim. CM stated that the Building Blocks (May 2010 version) & ‘Off to the Best Start’ leaflets are now revised and available. CM reported the NBW resources supplies have just</p> | <p>CM</p> |

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| | <p>become available but the Expected Due Date / Age in weeks calculator wheels were burnt in a factory fire - but should still arrive in time for NBW. The goods - magnets etc will be delivered directly to RIFCs. Thanks to Michelle for all her work on the delivery schedule template which was returned to DH communications team.</p> <p>CM mentioned the WM Regional Maternal and Early Years Project Lead has ordered BMI Pregnancy / Expected Due Date wheels - for distribution through this network when they arrive.</p> | <p>Rachel Andrew</p> |
| | <p>DH & UNICEF UK Feedback from National Meetings:</p> <p>CM discussed formula reps and cascading scientific information from Infant Formula Manufacturers to localities and multi agency steering groups. There was a meeting in Jan 2010 with Mary Renfrew of York University, DH & Government Policy Leads and IFCs to create a steering group and that piece of work will be progressed.</p> <p>In the interim, AC mentioned that New Cross Maternity staff sign to say they have read the 'A Guide to Infant Formula - Information for Health Professionals' from Baby Friendly Initiative which is a good reference resource. AC suggested staff sign that they have read a copy as they do in New Cross Hospital.</p> <p>CM stated the BFI leaflet 'Bottle Feeding' is available on PDF from the BFI website and the DH will be replicating it with some additions soon. It will be available free through NHS Prolog order line i.e. The BFI leaflet is currently only in PDF version as the NHS may adopt it and produce it.</p> <p>CM said Baby Friendly Initiative working on a 'Caring for your baby at night' leaflet and being pushed forward by DH. This will be a generic leaflet for all parents regardless of feeding method.</p> <p>CM said Infant Mortality National Support Team (IMNST) need case studies if any areas are doing good work in this area. CM suggested a possibility could be Walsall Children's project with NCT and antenatal activities.</p> <p>KS asked JH about IMNST visit to Sandwell in July 2010. JH confirmed IFCs from Sandwell are included in the IMNST interviewees list.</p> <p>CM stated that regarding NICE recommendations re neonatal services, plans are currently underway to develop an NHS neonatal breastfeeding care pathway in consultation with NGOs. Liz Jones (University Hospital North Staffordshire) developed a care pathway working with BFI and DH. KS reported this is positive news for a W. Midlands representative to be leading on this.</p> | <p>All areas to consider this practice</p> <p>Group to contact CM</p> <p>CM to check</p> |

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| | <p>Health Visiting Leads Regional Network Feedback</p> <p>CM referred to Theresa Bishop from Warwickshire, Chair of HV Leads meeting. CM said there are skills and capacity with HV breastfeeding leads to train generic staff and CM and Theresa are interested in progressing this idea – plus some joint CPD / task group sessions. CM stated with regard to WHO code and introduction to solid foods, the group is well informed and are prepared to assist Health Visitor IFC leads deliver this training more broadly.</p> <p>KS said this was a good model and stressed the importance of supporting each other in the future due to budget cuts - i.e. funding for outside trainers no longer available.</p> | <p>Group to contact CM if interested in training staff</p> |
| | <p>Child and Maternal Public Health Observatory Mapping (ChiMat)</p> <p>KS referred to research document and Norwegian study. CM quoted from Pg2 of email from Helen Duncan response to our issue i.e. that their 'News' section reflects the media 'slant' on research articles and health articles in the media and that there is a disclaimer on the ChiMat newsletter stating that views expressed are not necessarily those of ChiMat.</p> <p>CM has told ChiMat that would ask group what they think of this response. CM asked group to respond.</p> <p>JH said that staff think that ChiMat is a legitimate source of information and this caused a lot of consternation and confusion for staff.</p> <p>Not one person had noticed the disclaimer.</p> <p>Group re-iterated that they would like to see other 'news' articles about breastfeeding and Norwegian study.</p> <p>JH stated good to have article from World Breastfeeding Alliance and / or BFI.</p> <p>KS suggested formal letter summarising emails and what group wants to happen on DH headed paper saying we want this on their website. Letter will be sent by group.</p> <p>WM ChiMat Regional Children's Information Analyst post: KS said there was funding for a half time ChiMat post to be based at West Midlands Public health Observatory, but post now frozen. Unclear if this will change</p> <p>CM stated does not think her role has capacity to be the Regional Lead for ChiMat mapping of breastfeeding Services in WM. CM added All PCT and Acute Trust areas have a ChiMat Child Health input lead who could map breastfeeding services data with support from IFCs.</p> <p>JH suggested good idea to have this lead information. CM asked JH to ask Sandwell's lead for a Regional list of contacts. KS agreed good idea rather than the IFCs being data input leads themselves and stressed need to make good use of existing workers and resources in localities.</p> | <p>Group to write with counter position</p> <p>JH to compose letter for CM</p> <p>JH to ask Sandwell lead for regional contact list</p> |

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| | <p>Department of Health Funding Allocations Tranche 1: 08/09 & tranche 2: 09/10: 2nd report due on 31 March 2010 from 1st tranche of funded areas allocated £4million – Stoke's is still outstanding 1st report for 2nd tranche of £3 million 2009/10 funded areas. Coventry outstanding but due to handover of roles. CM informed group the National team have extended deadline until end of June 2010 (from original 1st June 2010)</p> | <p>SA</p> |
| | <p>Breastfeeding Fact File CM stated £2000 accrued from sales of fact file at BEN PCT. It is a clinical guidance in the form of an easy troubleshooting guide and currently being updated with a view to expand topic areas covered. Jevant has got some edits completed. KS advised to take care not to refer to old policy which may soon change. CM said Group needs to support BEN and the fact file contributors in getting it ready for print. Difficult to cross over money to region from the PCT in view of recent news. KS asked PC to send edits to group for their input if required.</p> | <p>PC and JS to feedback when text updated.</p> |
| | <p>CUBA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CM stated that the Evaluation report is due in December 2010 - The proactive phase finishes in June 2010. • JS stated that Dudley workbooks sent off in August 09 have still not been returned • JS stated she was marking too many workbooks, though at least they were now being paid by Coventry for marking (this needs clarifying) • KS stated this issue must be addressed as it is causing local areas extra work • JS stated that some staff said they have achieved lower marks on CUBA2 than CUBA1 • Solihull Community Health has given out all resources but nothing has come back despite constant chasing by Carmen Baskerville. • KS reiterated need to keep to deadlines to avoid delaying project and will pick up issues in Solihull • CM stated from the last Steering Group meeting it was mentioned they would shorten the time taken to turn the evaluations around to give the 3 areas extra time to complete as some of the delays have been with Coventry and marking • KS will support group by moving the issue up on priorities list and will speak to Health Visitor lead from HV group in relevant area. • KS stated these problems are disappointing and will impact on results and has highlighted a local | <p>KS</p> <p>Group to feedback problems to KS</p> |

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| | <p>issue around capacity and resources in that professional group.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KS stated that forthcoming meeting at Solihull with Senior Managers and IFC would be useful • KS asked group to feedback comments and concerns relating to this and will speak to Louise Wallis <p>WHO CODE and Breastfeeding Introduction to Solid Foods Regional Training (Start4Life Training) – Update</p> <p>Start4Life WM developed training – We have made 240 training spaces available – 236 places taken up by HVs, Children’s Centre Staff and Breastfeeding Peer Supporters. Evaluation has been completed as per contract. KS to read and decide about Start4Life corporate styling of document.</p> | <p>KS to discuss with Louise Wallis.</p> <p>KS to check evaluation and send to IFCN</p> |
| | <p>WM Breastfeeding Peer Support Training Handbook resources - update</p> <p>HF and Louise Bennett in Walsall working on BFI Stage 1 text for revised edits. Should be available to share in Sept 2010. HF and Louise have completed edits on breastfeeding peer support manual and accompanying tutors pack. Ann Woods of BFI stated package is comprehensive when it was assessed in Dec 09 with requirement of edits for BFI compliance. HF awaits BFI approval on edits before going to print.</p> | <p>CM to check funding for reprint of Version 2</p> |
| | <p>WM Regional Sleep Safe Work</p> <p>CM meeting Regional leads and FSIDS (infant death syndrome) – paediatricians want to stop literature on risks and management of sharing beds for breastfeeding mothers. CM awaits wording on ‘Caring for your baby at night’ leaflet which is being currently explored in collaboration with DH / BFI / Maternity Registered body and hopefully FSIDS. KS stated regionally discussed Preventing unintentional injury at excellence conference. Solihull have banner pen. Dara Lloyd worked on Warwickshire’s campaign. KS liked the work and Worcester keen to use bags regionally.</p> <p>SA stated in Coventry new mums have bag and information but want the extras. KS confirmed sticker on red book was good idea.</p> <p>CP and CB have boxes of these resources untouched and KS suggested discussing this with her at their forthcoming meeting in Solihull. SA said issues have been dealt with locally. KS to speak to her contact at NHS WM</p> <p>CM after a recent, preliminary WM regional Sleep Safe campaigns multi-agency meeting – it was agreed with that any regional campaigns come via KS who will utilise the WM IFC Network and SA as Consultation group</p> | <p>KS to ask NHS WM for strategic update</p> |

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| | <p>Antenatal Toolkit Project Update</p> <p>This project was planned by the DH national Communications Team and was to work with maternity services and Children's Centres circumvent need for NHS resources to go into private company corporate packs. CM stated project was ready to go but now with Secretary of State postponed until further notice. Sorry to Worcester and can they let their HOM know the situation. KS confirmed would notify Worcester if position changes.</p> | |
| 4 | <p>Baby Friendly Initiative Action Learning Sets</p> <p>One other region is facilitating action learning sets around progression towards BFI. This region cannot support something similar formally.</p> <p>Action Learning Set: enables people to problem solve themselves and look at barriers locally.</p> <p>KS stated very much Peer led effort and takes much to keep going. H Williams – action learning set groups need to be self motivating and pressures of work stop them happening.</p> <p>AC stated will write up experiences and KS encouraged group to assist each other informally</p> | |
| 5 | <p>UNICEF training - 3 day Management course for HEI (Higher Education Institutions Lecturers Course)</p> <p>CM commented that there was poor interest from all but 3 Universities but Sandra Farmer and Michelle Cox filled spare spaces on the regional course in 1½ days with Health Professional and CC Breastfeeding Management Leads.</p> <p>AC said Commissioners need to help as they are training the graduate staff at a time costs to the trust.</p> <p>CM spoken to NHS WM on a strategic level but little progress.</p> <p>CM mentioned that Jevant (BEN) had asked CM about collecting nominees across localities for a BFI Audit Course. Jevant to host, other areas to pay for individual spaces on any audit course BEN book. The network agreed that the training need is current and group would be able to send staff. Training will be central to Birmingham in an NHS building. Next training dates available released in 6 month blocks by BFI</p> | <p>KS to ask WM contacts</p> <p>JS</p> |
| 6 | <p>Peer Supporters in hospital settings – Cup and Syringe feeding issues</p> <p>CM has been asked whether or not Peer Supporters be administering Cup and Syringe feeding in NHS Acute Trust Settings.</p> <p>CM said she could find no existing written, national standard competency framework or KSF outlines for paid supporters where administering cup and syringe feeding was covered.</p> <p>JS said their Peer Supporters role is verbal and talking cup and syringe feeding through with moms – i.e. Dudley make a distinction between physically supporting mums</p> | |

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| | <p>(administering cup and syringe feeding to the baby) and showing/talking about these issues and mums doing it for themselves.</p> <p>KS asked if this is covered in the regional training pack re BF Peer Supporters. CM stated not in the pack except awareness of the issues. This is because of the community and introductory nature of the pack.</p> <p>AC is writing Breastfeeding Peer Supporter competencies for her organisation - Warwickshire Acute Trust Infant feeding Coordinator and her job share colleague are looking at competencies for Peer Supporters in hospitals. They are interested in getting information from anyone with similar issues.</p> <p>Midwives should be competency checking all work by P/S in maternity units as it is an issue for their professional registration if tasks are delegated. CP said that boundaries too vague. KS said there needs to be more standards and consistencies. Question: what should Peer Supporters do and not do as part of a multi disciplinary team? Alison Clayton to be sent any relevant information by members who are happy to support this work. Members agreed that in the absence of written Guidance Peer Supporters should not be <i>administering</i> cup and syringe feeding. CM to re-check with national leads.</p> | <p>All interested to contact Alison Clayton</p> <p>CM</p> |
| <p>7</p> | <p><i>Breastfeeding Welcome Scheme in Children's Centres (Telford & Wrekin)</i></p> <p>CM said 4 out of 17 WM areas not given the opportunity of accessing £100,000 funding: i.e. Hereford, Shropshire, Telford & Wrekin and Solihull. The BF friendly environment in CC's project was ready to go on in Solihull and Telford & Wrekin as a non cash alternative support for breastfeeding in those 2 localities. Project lead Ann Fox from NCT / The Breastfeeding Manifesto had booked to train volunteers to support the Children's Centres but the training due to be delivered last Monday in Telford & Wrekin was cancelled.</p> <p>CM wanted launch before NBW 2010 but national team have informed us in last few days that the project has gone to Secretary of State and is now on hold.</p> | |
| <p>8</p> | <p><i>National Breastfeeding Awareness Week 2010: Planning, Communications and Resources</i></p> <p>CM stated that with current communications limitations unable to do regional press release from DH but if have Sandwell, HOB and other PCT communications officers then can use Walsall's details. CM to adapt her local press release into a regional press release.</p> <p>CM to advertise regional event via NHS Communications Officers/WM RIFCN.</p> <p>KS – asked members to monitor their local press coverage if they issue any event press releases</p> | <p>Group to send to CM for flyers</p> <p>Group to advertise event on template on website</p> <p>CM to issue regional press release if possible</p> |

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| 9 | <p>BRAP Human Rights and Infant Feeding Resource</p> <p>BRAP is Human Rights organisation in Birmingham which helped to pull together all policies. It is currently on hold due to organisational restructure and policy direction. Hopefully we can produce this document in the future.</p> <p>LH editing. KS commented Regional Communications Officer commented CM hoping to get ready for NBW and unsure which organisations will still exist e.g. equal opportunities commission may not be there.</p> <p>CM would like it to be called 'The Magic Formula'</p> <p>HOB running workshop at NBW around the BRAP / HOB Human Rights and Infant Feeding work they have been doing. CM - how do we edit? KS urged to wait as problem is it relies on old policy and documents. It was agreed it is a good document but could be out of date before it gets finalised.</p> | <p>CM to look at re-edits when new bodies are finalised</p> |
| 10 | <p>Data & Performance</p> <p>The WM was one of the regions whose localities <i>all</i> achieved 90% data completeness for Qtr 4 09/10 (Dec to March) as per target. WM 17 PCT areas were 'Green' RAG Rated for all 4 Qtrs of 09/10 with only 3 months of underperforming - great work - WM joint 2nd in England for highest data coverage.</p> <p>Well done all of those who worked so hard to achieve this. The Regional Director of Public Health was very pleased to see this. Please keep up the momentum for sustainable data processes. Localities should use what learnt from the May refresh data flow processing to maintain target - over 90% coverage. We are now working towards exceeding or achieving the 6-8 week breastfeeding prevalence figures.</p> <p>CM referred to 6-8 week prevalence plans: only a few IFCs consulted in developing PCT targets and therefore some plans were unrealistic when set. CM had asked for targets to be refreshed in Nov 2009, but was told by DH that it was not possible, so until March 2011 PCTs have those plans. (unless the indicator is altered).</p> | |
| 11 | <p>NCT – Reaching Out targeted peer support training project in the WM</p> <p>Saima Kanwal confirmed she is now back in post as WM Regional NCT Development Officer - Amy McClean was covering in her absence. Thanks to Amy for her work.</p> <p>Michelle Atkin - National lead for NCT partnership work was introduced. Saima explained NCT running young mums / targeted breastfeeding peer support groups in Walsall and HOB. NCT looking for one more WM area to run a final Peer Support pilot - tuition, resources all paid for the duration of the course.</p> <p>Requirement is that Peer Supporters must be from a target group least likely to access peer support training</p> | <p>Group to contact Saima if interested</p> |

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| | <p>e.g. having experienced domestic violence, travelling families, young women, BME women etc so they can subsequently have a widespread effect in their own communities. The whole 3 year project, funded by DH ends in December 2010 and any area interested needs to contact Saima as soon as possible. 8 lots of 2 hour sessions need to be delivered and recruitment will take time.</p> <p>NCT regionally chair a Steering Group meeting where the staff involved with the existing projects meet to discuss issues</p> <p>CM referred to Walsall experience – Nacro/FNP/Children’s centre and NHS were all working together to establish the group members. There were 10 young moms who completed the course and stayed as a support group. After starting the group one year ago - 2 have been recently employed with Walsall NHS.</p> <p>Regarding these projects - NCT pay for trainers and guidance plus help from NCT (posters and publicity) to attract members. Need support for recruitment of women from local agencies, a free venue and childcare costs met locally, if possible.</p> <p>Michelle Atkins iterated that their aim is to have all Peer Supporters training to the same level of competence. They have a good documentation – their committee meet each month to update. KS asked AC if there is a possible link to her work as AC looking at competencies of peer supporters in different settings.</p> <p>CM recommended that the NCT national board and other Voluntary organisations discuss cup and syringe issue in relation to peer support competencies and report back to this network.</p> | <p>AC to contact Michelle Atkins re Peer Support training competencies / supervision in NCT</p> <p>NGO reps</p> |
| | <p><i>Information Sharing & Updates:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Ben PCT accepted as presenter at CPHPA National Conference in the autumn. ❖ Survey questionnaire for usefulness of group / regional support. ❖ KS stated this is a critical group and had an input - need to fill out survey to support. ❖ CB happy to send out to HV Leads. ❖ AC to cycle from London to Paris for Best Beginnings and asked anyone to contact her if they wished to sponsor. ❖ Anyone wishing to do a stand at Sandwell please see CM after meeting. ❖ PC stated Milk Bank at hospital contacted to do a stand. | <p>ALL</p> <p>Michelle Cox to email questionnaire to network, HV leads group and website</p> |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Government offices being reviewed (London Government office has been disbanded). ❖ Strategic Health Authority - increasing emphasis on Local PCT social enterprises. ❖ New Secretary of State for Health, Andrew Lansley will give 10 key note speeches over the coming weeks. He wants more evidence on everything health does. ❖ KS informed the group about National and Regional Structural and Obesity programme issues - of which infant feeding is one. ❖ Contract for CM terminates on 30 Sept 2010 with no funding for the future. KS & Regional Director of Public Health is looking at continuity issues of obesity programme work and regional networks - how to keep group together and momentum going as current schedule finishes after 10 September 2010 meeting ❖ KS will be relying on this network if CM not in post. ❖ KS stated this network is a tremendous success. With uncertainty brings opportunities. The new NHS white paper will be out in July to clarify direction for the NHS and the Public Health White Paper will be issued at the end of the year. ❖ DH will continue to support the WMRIFCN meetings until told otherwise. | <p>KS to send white paper when it arrives. ALL please comment</p> <p>CM to plan venues / dates for Dec 2010 and March 2011.</p> |
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| | <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Date and Time of next meeting:</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">10 September 2010 10:00 am - 3.00pm Department of Health West Midlands, c/o 5 St Philip's Place, Birmingham, B3 2PW Room GA</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>CPD Session:</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Liberating the NHS –Commissioning Breastfeeding services in reformed systems and structures</p> <p style="text-align: center;">A BUFFET LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED AT THE CLOSE OF THE MEETING</p> | |