

Children's Services

Health & Wellbeing Board

Theme Based Panel

14 December 2017

SEND and working together around transitions



Current model

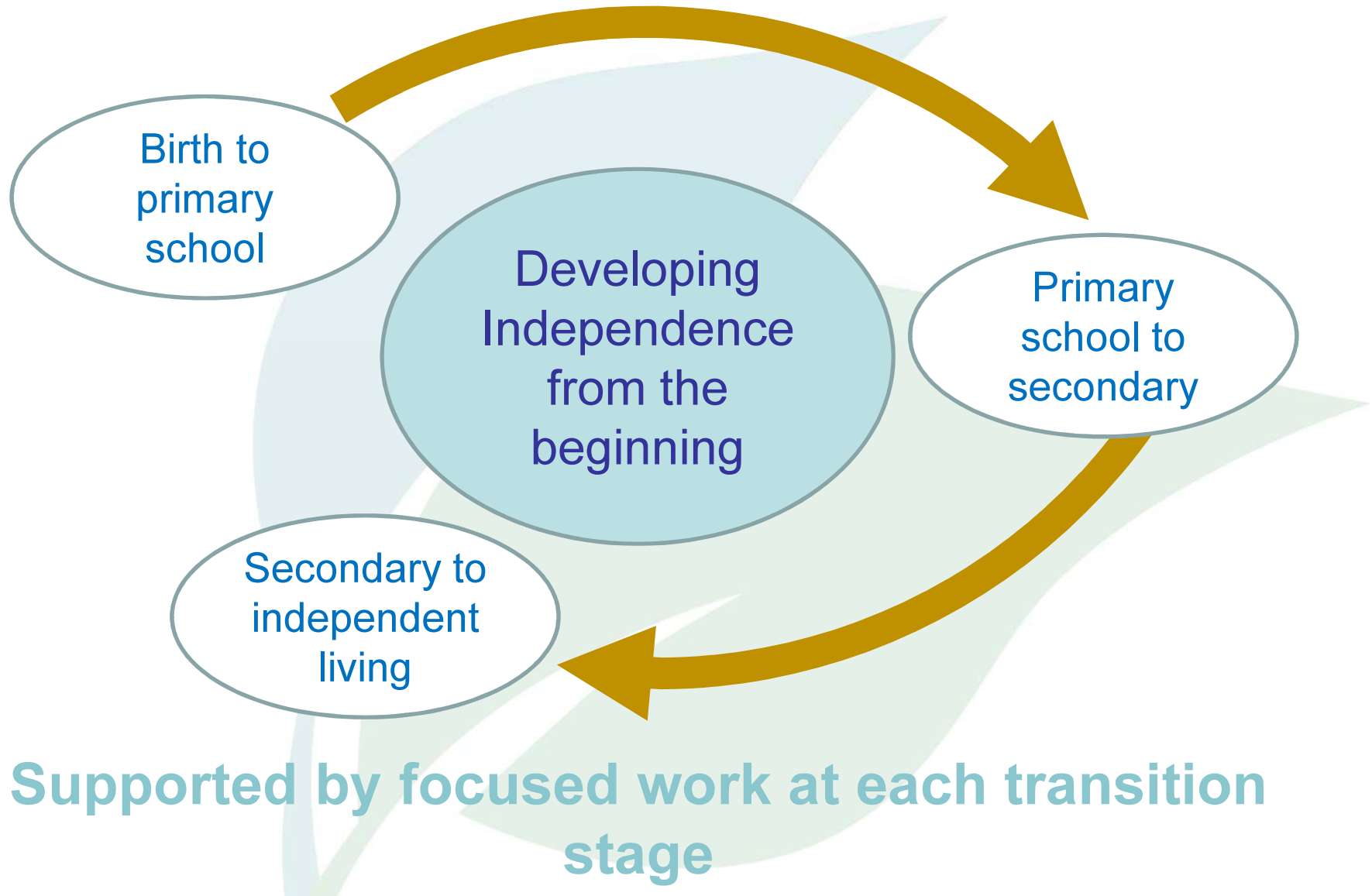


Work at each stage focused on milestones

A great day or a time to worry?



Changing the culture – looking forward to adult life

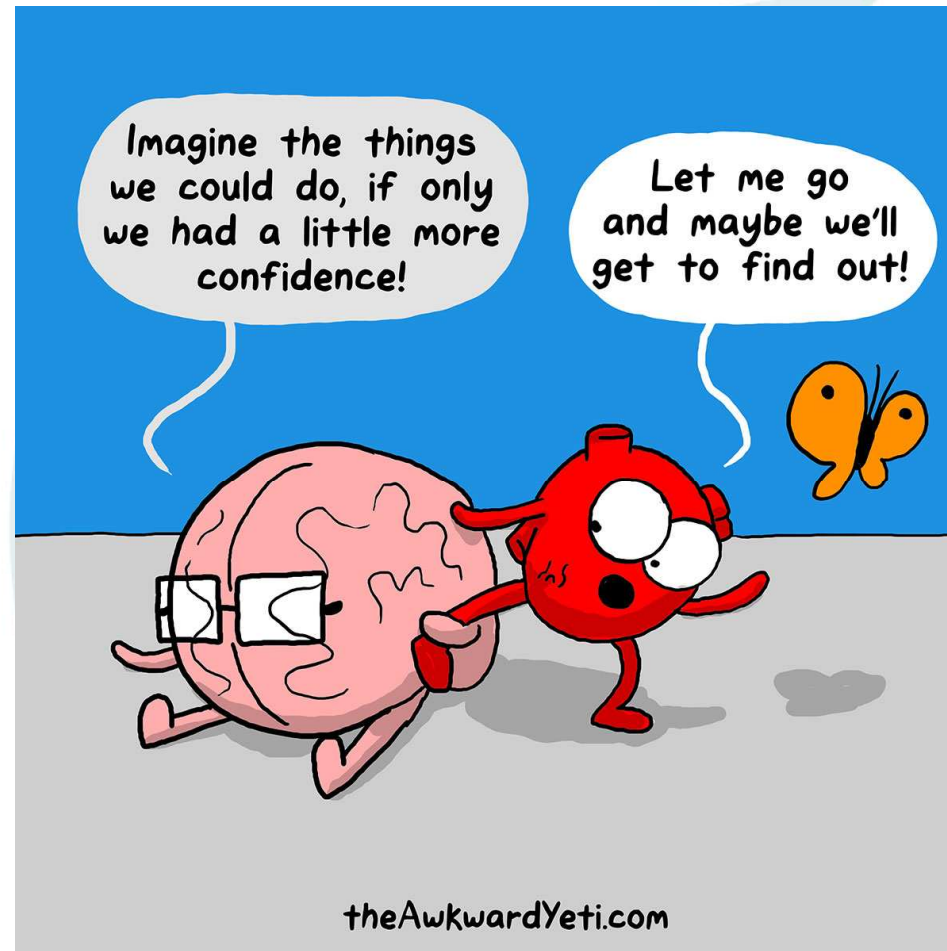


Transition to adulthood for disabled young people

- Disabled Children's Service development plan – modernising short breaks – creating climate for increased independence skills
- Development work with Adult services – appointment of new Team Manager to lead transitions team
- Purposeful systems
- Permanence and Transitions – Personal Advisers



Building confidence is key



Children Looked After



As Corporate Parents we need to ensure that children gain the services they need to meet their physical and emotional needs to support their response to their often traumatic experiences

We need to:

- Be in touch (97% visited in the preceding 6 weeks)
- Maintain stable placements/ futureproof
- Ensure Initial emotional screening is completed (84%)
- Then review progress (79%)
- Good dental Care (87.8%)
- Employment / Education / Virtual School

Children Looked After

Take over day – Children said

*Anxiety,
depression and
autism,*

*Mother and
baby
placements,*

*Coping with
loss,*

*Going
missing,*

*sexual
exploitation*

self harm

bullying,

*Preparing for
independence*

New Initiatives

- NHS England Well Being Project
- CAMHS screening every child on care entry, reorganised service that is more targeted
- Improved outcomes
- Significant progress since 2015
- LILAC Inspection

‘Being involved in the project has been really beneficial to me’

Children Looked After



Children in Care Council- We NEED Corporate Parents & Workers

“to think about how they treat us”

“with excellent communication skills”

“who work hard for us”

Safeguarding Children and Young People

Jean Kelly

Senior Manager Safeguarding

Working Together

“ All children have a right to a safe, loving, and stable childhood...

...Whilst local authorities play a lead role, safeguarding children, promoting their welfare and protecting them from harm is everyone’s responsibility. Everyone who comes into contact with children and families has a role to play.”

Draft revised Working Together (open consultation)

Children's Services

- Self Assessment completed (early 2017)
- Revised senior leadership structure introduced (April 2017)
- Independent Service Review (May 2017) -
“Devon is well placed to get to good.....all staff share the ambition and commitment.....they know their children...”

Children in need of help and protection

- Good progress on managing front door volume and conversions
- Stabilising rate of children subject of protection plans and levelling rate of children in need, coming into line with similar LAs judged good by Ofsted
- Audit as a tool to strengthen practice, understood and embedding

Children in need of help and protection

- Strengths based approach to conferences rolled out and embedding
- Rate of S47, can be variable month by month but heading in the right direction
- Timeliness Strategy to ICPC slipped, focus for improvement
- Conversion rate conference to plan 85%

Children in need of help and protection

Improvements to support getting it right first time:

- Re-referrals
- Repeat assessments
- Repeat child in need and protection plans