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NURSES

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“The aim of the Scottish LAAC & Throughcare Nurses Resource Directory is to provide contact details and information of services offered by nurses, who are dedicated to addressing the health need of looked after & accommodated children, young people and care leavers.

The information is not exhaustive and as relevant services are identified and developed, the resource directory will be updated annually.

The information is provided by the individual LAAC & Throughcare nurses.”

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NAME OF SERVICE	LAAC TEAM				
AREA COVERED					
NHS Area	NHS AYRSHIRE & ARRAN				
Local Authority areas covered	NORTH, EAST AND SOUTH AYRSHIRE				
CLIENT GROUP					
Looked After & Accommodated Children (under 10 years)		Looked After & Accommodated Young People (10 years + older)		Care Leavers	
TYPES OF SERVICE OFFERED					
Health Assessments					
Review Health Assessments					
Pathway Health Assessments					
Mental Health Assessments/Intervention					
Health Education & Promotion					
Immunisations					
Sexual Health Assessments					
Training for Staff & Carers					
Links with local medical advisor/s for adoption & fostering panels					
Children / young people placed out of area					
SERVICE DEVELOPMENTS					
We are currently a brand new LAAC Team for NHS Ayrshire & Arran. Systems and structures are currently being developed and development updates will be available soon.					
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NAME OF SERVICE	BORDERS LAC NURSE SERVICE				
AREA COVERED					
NHS Area	NHS BORDERS				
Local Authority areas covered	SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL				
CLIENT GROUP					
Looked After & Accommodated Children (under 12 years)	√	Looked After & Accommodated Young People (12 years + older)	√	Care Leavers	√
CORE SERVICE					
Health Assessments	√	Done by local health worker			
Review Health Assessments	√	Done by local health worker			
Pathway Health Assessments	√	Done in conjunction with the TCAC worker			
Mental Health Assessments/Intervention	√	Done in conjunction with the CAMHS team			
Health Education & Promotion	√	Done through health workers and for individuals and groups by LAC Nurse			
Immunisations	√	Done through GP surgeries			
Sexual Health Assessments	√	Done with individuals and through FP team or Sexual Health Advisors for YP			
Training for Staff & Carers	√	Offered across the spectrum and delivered alone or in conjunction with other agencies			
Links with local medical advisor/s for adoption & fostering panels	√				
Children / young people placed out of area	√	By attending or through access to S31 minutes and facilitating appropriate health service provision.			
SERVICE DEVELOPMENTS					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Health based away weekends for LAC in separate sexed groups to develop information informed safe lifestyle choices in a fun way. ▪ Development of focus groups to ensure the views of young people are listened to and their ideas used in service development. 					
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NAME OF SERVICE	WELL CHOSEN SERVICE				
AREA COVERED					
NHS Area	NHS FORTH VALLEY				
Local Authority areas covered	FALKIRK, STIRLING & CLACKMANNANSHIRE COUNCILS				
CLIENT GROUP					
Looked After & Accommodated Children (under 12 years)	√	Looked After & Accommodated Young People (12 years + older)	√	Care Leavers	
CORE SERVICE					
Health Assessments	√	Undertake Health Assessments for LAAC aged 12years and over. Paediatricians undertake Health Assessments for LAAC under age of 12.			
Review Health Assessments	√	Undertake review Health Assessments for LAAC over 12 years.			
Pathway Health Assessments					
Mental Health Assessments/Intervention	√	As part of Health Assessment. Referral pathway established to CAMHS.			
Health Education & Promotion	√	With young people, as part of Health Assessment process, as well as specialised pieces of work when requested. Regular health promotion input to residential units in Forth Valley.			
Immunisations	√	Assist in running immunisation clinics when planned Make recommendations regarding outstanding immunisations.			
Sexual Health Assessments	√	As part of Health Assessments and as stand alone one to one when required.			
Training for Staff & Carers	√	Deliver health information sessions for foster / residential carers. Plan and deliver multi-agency training on issues relevant to LAAC.			
Links with local medical advisor/s for adoption & fostering panels					
Children / young people placed out of area	√	Undertake Health Assessments or reviews when requested.			
SERVICE DEVELOPMENTS					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nurse- led Health Assessments for Adolescents. This previously was undertaken by Community Paediatricians. 					
CONTACT DETAILS					
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NAME OF SERVICE	WELL CHOSEN SERVICE – THROUGH CARE AFTERCARE				
AREA COVERED					
NHS Area	NHS FORTH VALLEY				
Local Authority areas covered	STIRLING, FALKIRK AND CLACKMANNANSHIRE LOCAL AUTHORITIES				
CLIENT GROUP					
Looked After & Accommodated Children (under 12 years)		Looked After & Accommodated Young People (12 years + older)	√	Care Leavers	√
CORE SERVICE					
Health Assessments	√	As independent health needs , reviews or as part of Pathways process			
Review Health Assessments	√				
Pathway Health Assessments	√				
Mental Health Assessments/Intervention	√	First line strategies, referral onto specialist services			
Health Education & Promotion	√	In either one-to-one, group settings. Links with specialist services for joint health promotion / education work.			
Immunisations	√	Access to sessions provided Compass health development worker.			
Sexual Health Assessments	√	As individual health need or part of comprehensive health assessment. Enhanced Implant Service.			
Training for Staff & Carers	√	Both statutory and non-statutory services			
Links with local medical advisor/s for adoption & fostering panels					
Children / young people placed out of area	√	To support transition process back to area			
SERVICE DEVELOPMENTS					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Throughcare Service – documentation, service objectives ▪ Fast track implant service ▪ Health drop in ▪ Activity pilot 					
CONTACT DETAILS					
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NAME OF SERVICE	SENIOR NURSE LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN				
AREA COVERED					
NHS Area	NHS GRAMPIAN				
Local Authority areas covered	ABERDEEN CITY, ABERDEENSHIRE AND MORAY				
CLIENT GROUP					
Looked After & Accommodated Children (under 12 years)	√	Looked After & Accommodated Young People (12 years + older)	√	Care Leavers	
TYPES OF SERVICE OFFERED					
Health Assessments	✓	Use BAAF Health Forms Collation of health information / link with other health professionals for children with complex health needs or disability. I may do the assessment this is case dependent			
Review Health Assessments	✓	As above			
Pathway Health Assessments					
Mental Health Assessments/Intervention	✓	Refer to local CAMHS			
Health Education & Promotion	✓	Relevant issues embraced the entire range of environmental, physical, mental/emotional & social aspects of health within the assessment framework.			
Immunisations	✓	Advise but do not carry out			
Sexual Health Assessments	✓	I may do the assessment this is case dependent			
Training for Staff & Carers	✓	Involved in a variety of training both informally and formally in partnership with the local authority.			
Links with local medical advisor/s for adoption & fostering panels	✓	Based with the medical staff who are advisors to the local adoption and fostering panels			
Children / young people placed out of area	✓	Track children/ young people who are placed out of area, who are offered the same service from the LAAC Health team, as if they were placed within the Grampian area.			
SERVICE DEVELOPMENTS					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Work is being done to identify the learning needs of residential staff on health issues. ▪ Apply for main stream funding. 					
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NAME OF SERVICE	LAAC HEALTH TEAM				
AREA COVERED					
NHS Area	NHS GREATER GLASGOW & CLYDE (old NHS Greater Glasgow Area)				
Local Authority areas covered	GLASGOW CITY COUNCIL, EAST DUMBARTON, WEST DUMBARTON, EAST RENFREWSHIRE (within old NHS Greater Glasgow Area & No nursing input into East Renfrewshire)				
CLIENT GROUP					
Looked After & Accommodated Children (under 12 years)	√	Looked After & Accommodated Young People (12 years + older)	√	Care Leavers	√
TYPES OF SERVICE OFFERED					
Health Assessments	√	Use BAAF Health Forms. LAAC nurses undertaken health assessments for the over 12 years and initial health assessment of under 12 years undertaken by medical staff.			
Review Health Assessments	√	LAAC nurses undertake regular review of the health action plans of over 12 years and telephone review assessments of children / young people aged 5 -12 years			
Pathway Health Assessments	√	Involved in health pathway planning for care leavers in partnership with Glasgow City Council.			
Mental Health Assessments/Intervention		Work in partnership with LAAC Mental health colleagues, who we are co-located with.			
Health Education & Promotion	√	Undertaken on a needs led, individual basis			
Immunisations	√	Nurse guideline and PGD's in place			
Sexual Health Assessments	√	Developing Sexual Health Assessment tool. Ability to fast track referrals into young people's sexual health service.			
Training for Staff & Carers	√	Involved in a variety of training both informally and formally in partnership with the local authority.			
Links with local medical advisor/s for adoption & fostering panels	√	Based with the medical staff who are advisors to the local adoption and fostering panels.			
Children / young people placed out of area	√	Track children/ young people who are placed out of area, who are offered the same service from the LAAC Health team.			
SERVICE DEVELOPMENTS					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ LAAC Dental Service ▪ LAAC Relationship and Sexual Health Policy (draft) ▪ Duty Nurse System ▪ LAAC nurse Guidelines ▪ Updated Foster Carers Post Approval Health Training Input. ▪ Management of Diabetes in Residential Care (out for consultation) ▪ Working party working on Healthy Eating / Nutritional Guidelines in Residential Care. ▪ LAAC Smoking Cessation Advisor 					
CONTACT DETAILS					
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NAME OF SERVICE	LAC & YP HEALTH TEAM (includes vulnerable, disability & respite)				
AREA COVERED					
NHS Area	NHS GREATER GLASGOW & CLYDE (EAST RENFREWSHIRE CHCP)				
Local Authority areas covered	EAST RENFREWSHIRE COUNCIL				
CLIENT GROUP					
Looked After & Accommodated Children (under 12 years)	√	Looked After & Accommodated Young People (12 years + older)	√	Care Leavers	√
TYPES OF SERVICE OFFERED					
Health Assessments	√	Use BAAF Health Forms. LAAC Nurse provides comprehensive Health assessment for those over 12yrs old. Community Paediatrician provides comprehensive Health Assessment for children under 12yrs. Collation of health information / link with other health professionals for children with complex health needs or disability having respite care.			
Review Health Assessments	√	Reviews are based on assessment of need			
Pathway Health Assessments	√	Link with Throughcare Social Work staff. Health assessment feeds into 'Looking Forward' Pathways plan.			
Mental Health Assessments/Intervention		Refer to local CAMHS			
Health Education & Promotion	√				
Immunisations	√	Co-ordinate to make sure carried out			
Sexual Health Assessments		Refer to local service			
Training for Staff & Carers	√				
Links with local medical advisor/s for adoption & fostering panels	√				
Children / young people placed out of area	√	Either visit young person, or link with local LAAC nurse or GP dependant on need.			
SERVICE DEVELOPMENTS					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Audit ▪ Referral pathway to community Dentist in Health Centre ▪ Health Fax given to children & young people which includes birth history, medical history ▪ Improved use of BAAF books enabling foster carers to improved health information and helps with continuity. 					
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NAME OF SERVICE	LAAC SERVICE				
AREA COVERED					
NHS Area	NHS GREATER GLASGOW & CLYDE				
Local Authority areas covered	ALL LAAC LIVING IN THE RENFREWSHIRE AREA				
CLIENT GROUP					
Looked After & Accommodated Children (under 12 years)	√	Looked After & Accommodated Young People (12 years + older)	√	Care Leavers	√
TYPES OF SERVICE OFFERED					
Health Assessments	√	To all young people in Renfrewshire			
Review Health Assessments	√				
Pathway Health Assessments					
Mental Health Assessments/Intervention	√				
Health Education & Promotion	√				
Immunisations	√				
Sexual Health Assessments	√				
Training for Staff & Carers	√	Establish training programmes in place			
Links with local medical advisor/s for adoption & fostering panels	√				
Children / young people placed out of area		This has been identified as a service gap			
SERVICE DEVELOPMENTS					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Database for LAAC ▪ Cognitive behaviour therapy programmes ▪ Smoking cessation 					
CONTACT DETAILS					
Specialist Nurse LAAC	Vacant post				
LAAC Nurses					
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NAME OF SERVICE	LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN (HEALTH)	
AREA COVERED		
NHS Area	NHS HIGHLAND	
Local Authority areas covered	HIGHLAND COUNCIL	
CLIENT GROUP		
Looked After Children inc residential care, foster care, out of authority, home supervision, kinship care, respite care		
TYPES OF SERVICE OFFERED		
Health Assessments	√	
Review Health Assessments	√	
Pathway Health Assessments		Sorry, not sure what this means
Mental Health Assessments/Intervention	√	
Health Education & Promotion	√	
Immunisations	√	
Sexual Health Assessments	√	Using SHARE, Delivery of Sexual Health Service/testing for STD's/
Training for Staff & Carers	√	
Links with local medical advisor/s for adoption & fostering panels	√	
Children / young people placed out of area	√	Only just recently!
SERVICE DEVELOPMENTS		
All care is co-ordinated within the service however is delivered by the most appropriate health professional associated with the child. Criteria are available as guidance re this.		
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NAME OF SERVICE	HEALTH LIASON OFFICER				
AREA COVERED					
NHS Area	NHS LANARKSHIRE				
Local Authority areas covered	NORTH LANARKSHIRE				
CLIENT GROUP					
Looked After & Accommodated Children (under 12 years)		Looked After & Accommodated Young People (12 years + older)		Care Leavers	√
TYPES OF SERVICE OFFERED					
Health Assessments	√				
Review Health Assessments	√				
Pathway Health Assessments	√				
Mental Health Assessments/Intervention	√				
Health Education & Promotion	√				
Immunisations		Referral only			
Sexual Health Assessments	√				
Training for Staff & Carers		Consultation with Throughcare staff, Residential Workers and Supported Carers			
Links with local medical advisor/s for adoption & fostering panels					
Children / young people placed out of area	√				
SERVICE DEVELOPMENTS					
CONTACT DETAILS					
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NAME OF SERVICE	LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN'S HEALTH TEAM				
AREA COVERED					
NHS Area	NHS Lothian				
Local Authority areas covered	EAST Lothian, MID Lothian & CITY OF EDINBURGH				
CLIENT GROUP					
Looked After & Accommodated Children (under 12 years)	✓	Looked After & Accommodated Young People (12 years + older)	✓	Care Leavers	
CORE SERVICE					
Health Assessments	✓				
Review Health Assessments	✓	Mostly by telephone			
Pathway Health Assessments	✓	Information given during transition period to TCAC Nurse			
Mental Health Assessments/Intervention	✓	Work in partnership with mental health colleagues in particular in delivery of health programmes to support young people and carers			
Health Education & Promotion	✓				
Immunisations	✓	Advise but do not carry out			
Sexual Health Assessments	✓	Advise but do not carry out			
Training for Staff & Carers	✓	Training is part of CPD for residential care staff. Foster carers receive training through support groups that LAC nurse attends.			
Links with local medical advisor/s for adoption & fostering panels	✓	Senior LAC Nurse Adoption panel member and LAC Nurse Foster Panel member			
Children / young people placed out of area	✓	Ensure that young person has support from local health Services			
SERVICE DEVELOPMENTS					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Further development of health assessments ▪ Gather in formation from recent audit of service ▪ Work in partnership with Child protection Advisors ▪ Further development with TCAC nurses ▪ Continue to develop training programme with Children and Families Team ▪ Ensure LAC Health is on the agenda in both Health Board and Local authorities Children Services plan. 					
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NAME OF SERVICE	LOOKED AFTER CHILDRENS TEAM				
AREA COVERED					
NHS Area	NHS Lothian				
Local Authority areas covered	WEST Lothian CHCP				
CLIENT GROUP					
Looked After & Accommodated Children (under 12 years)	√	Looked After & Accommodated Young People (12 years + older)	√	Care Leavers	√
TYPES OF SERVICE OFFERED					
Health Assessments	√				
Review Health Assessments	√				
Pathway Health Assessments	√	Throughcare and aftercare service input			
Mental Health Assessments/Intervention	√	Can offer very limited short term or one off counselling sessions while ongoing referral being made			
Health Education & Promotion	√	Ongoing basis with children, young people and carers			
Immunisations	√	Mainly administered by school nurses and health visitors			
Sexual Health Assessments	√	Linking in with school nurses, family planning clinics and healthy living centre			
Training for Staff & Carers	√	Raising awareness sessions with staff and students training sessions being looked into at moment for carers and residential staff			
Links with local medical advisor/s for adoption & fostering panels	√	Liaise with medical advisor on daily basis also member of fostering panel			
Children / young people placed out of area	√	Attend reviews in residential schools out with area and liaise with carers out of area			
SERVICE DEVELOPMENTS					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ As part of wider LAC team. Working in partnership with social policy education and health which consists of LAC Nurse, Children's Rights Officer, Outreach Education Workers (x3), Educational Psychologist, Youth Participation Worker who all meet on a fortnightly basis at operational level. ▪ And as above but also with service development manager for social policy and educational, who all meet on a monthly basis at strategic management level. ▪ Also have monthly joint meetings with Health and Social Policy to address and oversee management of LAC Health input at service delivery level and strategic level. 					
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NAME OF SERVICE	THROUGH CARE & AFTERCARE				
AREA COVERED					
NHS Area	NHS Lothian				
Local Authority areas covered	CITY OF EDINBURGH				
CLIENT GROUP					
Looked After & Accommodated Children (under 12 years)		Looked After & Accommodated Young People (12 years + older)	√	Care Leavers	√
TYPES OF SERVICE OFFERED					
Health Assessments	√				
Review Health Assessments	√				
Pathway Health Assessments	√				
Mental Health Assessments/Intervention	√	Tier 1&2 strategies. Referring on to specialist services.			
Health Education & Promotion	√	One to one. Group work.			
Immunisations	√	Identifying missed immunisations and referring on as appropriate.			
Sexual Health Assessments	√	Linking young people into specialist services.			
Training for Staff & Carers	√				
Links with local medical advisor/s for adoption & fostering panels					
Children / young people placed out of area	√	Ensure that young person has support from local services.			
SERVICE DEVELOPMENTS					
<p>Further development of health assessments. Further development of transition work with Looked After Children's Nurses. Development of health promotion group work. Establishing links with Healthy Respect. City of Edinburgh Council TC&AC Strategy Group. Development of an annual Health Fair in partnership with Looked After Children's Nurses and Includem's Health Co-ordinator. "Think Again" – development of a course with Napier University for TC&AC clients.</p>					
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NAME OF SERVICE	THROUGH-CARE & AFTERCARE				
AREA COVERED					
NHS Area	NHS Lothian				
Local Authority areas covered	EAST Lothian				
CLIENT GROUP					
Looked After & Accommodated Children (under 12 years)		Looked After & Accommodated Young People (12 years + older)	√	Care Leavers	√
TYPES OF SERVICE OFFERED					
Health Assessments	√				
Review Health Assessments	√				
Pathway Health Assessments	√				
Mental Health Assessments/Intervention	√	Tier 1 & 2 strategies & referral on to specialist services			
Health Education & Promotion	√	One to one & group work			
Immunisations	√	Identifying missed immunisations & referring on as appropriate			
Sexual Health Assessments	√	Linking young people on to specialist services			
Training for Staff & Carers	√				
Links with local medical advisor/s for adoption & fostering panels					
Children / young people placed out of area	√	Ensure young person has support from local services			
SERVICE DEVELOPMENTS					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Developing an up to date leaving care information pack for young people. ▪ Pilot viewpoint questionnaire with a view to rolling out. ▪ Establishing links with Parenting Dev worker for Youth Justice ▪ Joint working with CAMHS worker to deliver SMHFA training ▪ Links with Harm Reduction Team to supply condoms. ▪ Establish links with Healthy Respect with a view looking at setting a drop-in. ▪ Further developments of health assessment tools. 					
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NAME OF SERVICE	PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE FOR LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE				
AREA COVERED					
NHS Area	NHS TAYSIDE				
Local Authority areas covered	PERTH & KINROSS				
CLIENT GROUP					
Looked After & Accommodated Children (under 12 years)	√	Looked After & Accommodated Young People (12 years + older)	√	Care Leavers	√
TYPES OF SERVICE OFFERED					
Health Assessments	√	Health needs of all LAAC are assessed on their reception into care. Health assessments are offered to all over 12 years.			
Review Health Assessments	√	Undertake Reviews according to needs identified in the health action plan following the health assessment			
Pathway Health Assessments					
Mental Health Assessments/Intervention	√	As a component of general health assessment. Ongoing emotional support provided if necessary.			
Health Education & Promotion	√	Deliver health education on a one-to-one and group-work basis to LAAC in a variety of settings (residential schools/units, off-site educational establishments etc).			
Immunisations	√	Identify outstanding immunisations and liaise with carers to address			
Sexual Health Assessments	√	As a component of the general health assessment. Ongoing sexual health advice/support provided if necessary			
Training for Staff & Carers	√				
Links with local medical advisor/s for adoption & fostering panels	√	Regular meetings established with Community Paediatrician			
Children / young people placed out of area	√	Track out of area children/young people and liaise with relevant LAAC services and other partner agencies to ensure continuity of care.			
SERVICE DEVELOPMENTS					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ LAAC Nurse post initially a 3 year pilot project, the post has recently been made permanent. ▪ Notification system for all new LAAC established. ▪ Invited to all reception into accommodation meetings ▪ Health assessments offered to over 12 years – almost 100% uptake. ▪ Drop- in at Residential school established ▪ Referral system well utilised ▪ Article on health Needs of LAC, published in professional journal July 2006. 					
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NAME OF SERVICE	DUNDEE LAAC NURSE TEAM				
AREA COVERED					
NHS Area	NHS TAYSIDE				
Local Authority areas covered	DUNDEE CITY				
CLIENT GROUP					
Looked After & Accommodated Children (under 10 years)	√	Looked After & Accommodated Young People (10 years + older)	√	Care Leavers	√
TYPES OF SERVICE OFFERED					
Health Assessments	√	All children and young people have their health needs reviewed by the looked after health team when they become accommodated and a health assessment is offered when appropriate.			
Review Health Assessments	√	Reviews are not arranged as a routine. Social workers and carers can re-refer to the LAAC Health Team at anytime.			
Pathway Health Assessments	√	Currently under development.			
Mental Health Assessments/Intervention	√	Support and advice is offered to both staff and young people on mental health issues and refer on when appropriate.			
Health Education & Promotion	√	Health education and promotion are a major focus of any health assessment. Group work in the residential unit on specific issues.			
Immunisations	√	Immunisation status assessed as part of initial health assessment.			
Sexual Health Assessments	√	Sexual health is discussed with young people as part of the initial health assessment. Refer on when appropriate.			
Training for Staff & Carers	√	Training for foster carers on health issues is arranged in response to identified need as well as the initial training of foster carers.			
Links with local medical advisor/s for adoption & fostering panels	√	There are close links with the medical advisor. There are weekly team meetings to discuss new admissions, arrange health assessments, and share information on individual children.			
Children / young people placed out of area	√	Young people who are placed out of area are known to the LAAC health team. Links to other areas to be improved.			
SERVICE DEVELOPMENTS					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ In Dundee funding has successfully been applied for a staff nurse. One of the objectives of the post is to develop a nursing service to work along side the throughcare and aftercare social work team. (Short term funding from the Changing Children's Services Fund) ▪ A health record book for young people and their carers is being developed locally. ▪ Work is being done to identify the learning needs of residential staff on health issues. ▪ Funding successfully applied for to develop a health information pack for young people. 					
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