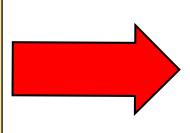
Mental Health Deep Dive Audit 2018-19 Learning Summary – March 2019



What has happened since?

- Feedback is scheduled to be presented to NYSCB Learning & Improvement Subgroup
- An action plan will be agreed to address thematic and individual agency recommendations of the audit
- Next multi-agency audit has been identified as Child Exploitation and is scheduled for July 2019

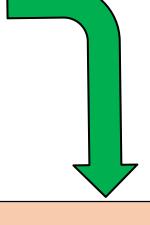


Issues and/or Actions for Practitioners

- Professional awareness and understanding of the stepped approach in mental health provision (universal through to acute specialist support) in North Yorkshire seems limited
- Opportunities to deliver intervention at an earlier stage to address a young person's mental health needs were missed in instances
- Long term outcomes in achieved in improving a young person's overall mental health needs through an action plan was deficient on occasions and unclear
- Professional challenge and curiosity should always be upheld in order to validate information, particularly when there are multiple agencies involved within a case

Good Practice

- Where a young person's engagement was challenging in terms of delivering support, the professional tenacity demonstrated, mitigated periods of transience to ensure young people were in receipt of support in a time of need and readiness to engage
- Wide range of tools were utilised in assessment, which were adapted to meet the young person's needs in order to their capture wishes and feelings
- Strong and effective use by agencies in having embedded safety plans in place with young people to reduce the risk in the event of crisis



Areas of Development

- ▶ Information sharing between agencies and CAMHS needs to more proportionate and consistent
- All agencies need to how they are able to demonstrate more clearly how a young person's mental health needs can be met over a sustained period of time
- Some agencies need to ensure appropriate safeguarding procedures are followed when a contact has been initiated in relation to a young person's safety and well-being
- All agencies need to explore alternative measures in meeting a young person's mental health needs when there is a challenge in engagement with a specific mental health provision

