

Safeguarding Children & Families Monthly Performance Report

As at Month End: March 2019

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CONTACT & REFERRAL (MASH)	1.1	Number of contacts	Info	Count	1149	1523	1341	1528	16694	Financial Year	↑	↑					n/a	10517	12165	16609	15670				
	1.2	% Contacts with decision within 1 working day	High	Percentage	83.1%	78.1%	83.4%	76.0%	81.0%	Financial Year	↓	↑			<92%	92%>	95%+	-	96.5%	86.0%	79.5%				
	1.3	Number of contacts going onto referral (including MASH referrals)	Info	Count	284	363	319	395	4265	Financial Year	↑	↓					n/a	4513	4915	4411	4495				
	1.4	% of contacts going onto referral (including MASH referrals)	High	Percentage	24.7%	23.8%	23.8%	25.9%	25.5%	Financial Year	↑	↓			range to be set			42.9%	40.5%	26.6%	28.7%				
	1.5	Rate of referrals per 10,000 population aged under 18 - rolling 12 month performance	Info	Rate per 10,000	756.8	743.8	738.4	732.1	-	Rolling Year	↓	↓					n/a	-	-	909.8	794.6	613.8	438.1	552.5	-
	1.6	% of referrals going onto assessment	High	Percentage	100.0%	99.4%	99.7%	98.3%	98.2%	Financial Year	↓	↑			<83%	83%>	86%+	69.6%	77.6%	90.0%	97.3%				
	1.7	% of re-referral in 12 months - in current month	Low	Percentage	21.7%	21.8%	22.7%	24.0%	-	As at mth end	↓	-			26%+	26%<	23%<	-	-	-	-				
	1.8	% of re-referral in 12 months - rolling 12 mths	Low	Percentage	20.9%	20.8%	21.0%	21.3%	-	Rolling Year	↓	↑			26%+	26%<	23%<	-	-	27.5%	23.1%	20.7%	12.8%	21.9%	16.3%
	1.9	CSE Cohort (Council Plan Indicator)	Info	Count	64	60	64	63	-	As at mth end	↓	↓					n/a	-	-	-	85				
	1.10	Number of CSE referrals in the current month	Info	Count	8	10	7	9	103	Financial Year	↑	↓					n/a	-	200	256	169				
ASSESSMENTS (NEW ONLY)	2.1	Number of assessments started	Info	Count	331	399	394	413	4797	Financial Year	↑	↓					n/a	-	-	-	5195				
	2.2	% of assessments for children's social care completed in 45 working days of referral	High	Percentage	76.8%	79.7%	81.9%	88.8%	81.1%	Financial Year	↑	↑			<90%	90%>	90%+	-	-	-	79.0%	79.7%	99.5%	82.7%	90.2%
	2.3	Open assessments already past 45 working days	Low	Count	60	76	40	21	-	As at mth end	↑	-					n/a	-	-	-	-				
	2.4	Number of assessments completed in the current month	Info	Count	285	389	431	427	4932	Financial Year	↓	↓					n/a	-	-	-	4999				
	2.5	% of completed assessments ending in - On-going Involvement	High	Percentage	42.5%	38.3%	35.5%	39.1%	40.5%	Financial Year	↑	↓			<40%	40%>	45%+	-	-	-	42.4%				
	2.6	% of completed assessments ending in - No further action	Info	Percentage	23.5%	25.4%	25.5%	23.9%	31.7%	Financial Year	↓	↓					n/a	-	-	-	34.7%				
	2.7	% of completed assessments ending in - Step down to Early Help / Other Agency	Info	Percentage	34.0%	36.2%	39.0%	37.0%	27.9%	Financial Year	↓	↑					n/a	-	-	-	22.8%				
	2.8	% of completed assessments ending in - Other/Not Recorded	Info	Percentage	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	Financial Year	→	→					n/a	-	-	-	0.0%				
S47's	3.1	Number of S47 Investigations started	Info	Count	156	172	199	201	2182	Financial Year	↑	↓					n/a	909	1478	1457	2267				
	3.2	Number of S47 Investigations - rolling 12 month performance	Info	Count	2193	2191	2211	2182	-	Rolling Year	↓	-					n/a	-	-	-	-				
	3.3	Number of S47's per 10,000 population aged 0-17 - rolling 12 month performance	Info	Rate per 10,000	385.1	384.7	388.3	383.2	-	Financial Year	↓	↓			more than +/-15	+/-15	+/-5 of 158.8	-	262.1	258.3	400.6	212.61	110.7	166.9	-
	3.4	Number of S47 Investigations - Completed	Info	Count	177	190	162	228	2215	Financial Year	↑	↓					n/a	876	1390	1384	2243				
	3.5	% of S47's with an outcome - Concerns are substantiated and child is judged to be at continuing risk of significant harm	High	Percentage	52.5%	47.9%	51.2%	46.9%	55.4%	Financial Year	↓	↓					n/a	-	58.3%	55.6%	63.8%				
	3.6	% of S47's with an outcome - Concerns are substantiated, but the child is not judged to be at continuing risk of significant harm	Info	Percentage	46.3%	45.3%	43.2%	49.6%	37.9%	Financial Year	↑	↑					n/a	-	30.2%	27.9%	28.8%				
	3.7	% of S47's with an outcome - Concerns not substantiated	Low	Percentage	1.1%	6.8%	5.6%	3.5%	6.6%	Financial Year	↑	↑					n/a	-	11.2%	10.9%	7.3%				
	3.8	% of S47's with an outcome - Not Recorded	Low	Percentage	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	Financial Year	→	→					n/a	-	0.3%	1.4%	0.0%				
CIN	4.1	Number of open CIN cases	Info	Count	1440	1421	1394	1383	-	As at mth end	↓	↓					n/a	1526	1430	1659	1678				
	4.2	Number of CIN (inc. CPP as per DfE definition)	Info	Count	2006	1966	1939	1889	-	As at mth end	↓	↓					n/a	1947	1805	2029	2326				
	4.3	Number of CIN per 10,000 population aged 0-17 - inc. CPP as per DfE definition. (Council Plan Indicator)	Low	Rate per 10,000	352.3	345.2	340.5	331.7	-	As at mth end	↑	↓					375.5	347.1	320	359.8	411.0	408.6	254.4	341	-
	4.4	% of CIN (open at least 45 days) with an up to date plan	High	Percentage	87.4%	87.9%	88.8%	90.5%	-	As at mth end	↑	↑			<85%	85%>	90%+	65.1%	98.6%	82.8%	82.8%				
CPP	5.1	Number of open CPP cases	Info	Count	566	545	545	506	-	As at mth end	↓	↓					n/a	423	369	370	648				
	5.2	Number of Initial CP Conferences (children) - rolling 12 month	Info	Count	897	868	827	782	-	Rolling Year	↓	↓					n/a	556	597	490	960				

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				Dec-18	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	YTD 2018/19	DATA NOTE					Red	Amber	Target Green	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	STAT NEIGH AVE	BEST STAT NEIGH	NAT AVE	NAT TOP QTILE THRESHOL
5.3	Number of Initial CP Conferences (children) per 10,000 population - rolling 12 month	Within limits (low)	Rate per 10,000	157.5	152.4	145.2	137.3	-	Rolling Year	↑	↓	Red	Red	79+	79<	74.1<	-	-	86.9	169.6	78.49	51.9	67.0	-
5.4	Number of Initial CP Conferences (children) - in month	Info	Count	55	58	46	53	785	As at mth end	↑	↓	Grey	Grey	range to be set			556.0	597.0	490.0	960.0				
5.5	% of initial child protection conference (ICPCs) completed within 15 days of S47 (based on number of children)	High	Percentage	90.9%	94.8%	91.3%	77.4%	86.8%	Financial Year	↓	↑	Red	Yellow	<85%	85%>	90%+	65.0%	88.3%	91.0%	84.0%	82.6%	99.5%	76.9%	89.3%
5.6	Number of children with a CP plan per 10,000 population under 18 (Council Plan Indicator)	Low	Rate per 10,000	99.4	95.7	95.7	88.9	-	As at mth end	↑	↑	Green	Green			99.6	74.7	65.4	65.6	114.5	54.5	29.4	45.3	-
5.7	Number of children becoming subject to a CP plan per 10,000 population - rolling 12 months	Low	Rate per 10,000	135.6	132.4	126.3	118.9	-	Rolling Year	↑	↑	Grey	Grey			n/a	93.1	93.8	79.0	151.1	70.7	47.4	58.0	46.2
5.8	No. of children ceased to be subject to a CP plan per 10K pop - rolling 12 months	High	Rate per 10,000	142.6	142.9	140.8	144.2	-	Rolling Year	↑	↑	Green	Green	<55	55>	59.9+	85.4	105.0	79.8	103.2	72.1	100.1	55.6	-
5.9	% of children becoming the subject of a CP plan for a second or subsequent time within 2 years - rolling 12 months (Council Plan Indicator)	Low	Percentage	4.7%	4.9%	5.7%	6.5%	-	Rolling Year	↓	↑	Green	Green	11%+	11%<	9%<	4.0%	4.7%	9.2%	9.5%				
5.10	% of children becoming the subject of a CP plan for a second or subsequent time - ever - rolling 12 months	Low	Percentage	19.3%	18.3%	19.2%	19.9%	-	Rolling Year	↓	↑	Red	Red	16%+	16%<	14%<	10.8%	12.7%	20.0%	24.0%	16.8%	8.0%	20.2%	16.5%
5.11	% of open CP plans lasting 2 years or more	Low	Percentage	1.6%	1.5%	1.1%	1.2%	-	As at mth end	↓	↓	Green	Green	3.6%+	3.6%<	2.6%<	5.3%	0.8%	0.3%	0.2%	1.1%	0.0%	1.8%	0.1%
5.12	% of CP plans lasting 2 years or more - ceased within period	Low	Percentage	0.0%	1.3%	4.5%	0.0%	1.2%	Financial Year	↑	↓	Green	Green	6.5%+	6.5%<	4.5%<	4.2%	4.8%	1.8%	0.9%	3.7%	0.0%	3.4%	2.2%
5.13	% of CP cases which were reviewed within timescales	High	Percentage	98.4%	90.3%	97.8%	99.3%	96.7%	Financial Year	↑	↑	Green	Green	<95%	95%>	98%+	96.5%	94.2%	98.6%	93.8%	93.0%	100.0%	90.5%	98.6%
5.14	% CPP with an up to date plan	High	Percentage	93.7%	94.6%	94.0%	94.3%	-	as at mth end	↑	↑	Yellow	Yellow	<93%	93%>	95%+	97.6%	100.0%	87.7%	87.7%				
5.15	% of CPP with visits in the last 2 weeks	High	Percentage	93.8%	94.9%	97.3%	95.6%	-	As at mth end	↓	↑	Green	Green	<90%	90%>	95%+	-	-	90.0%	93.6%				
6.1	Number of Looked After Children	Info	Count	634	629	645	643	-	As at mth end	↓	↑	Grey	Grey			n/a	407	432	488	627				
6.2	Rate of Looked After Children per 10,000 population aged under 18 (Council Plan Indicator)	Low	Rate per 10,000	111.3	110.5	113.3	112.9	-	As at mth end	↑	↓	Red	Red			99.1	70	76.6	86.6	110.8	87.8	62.0	64.0	-
6.3	Admissions of Looked After Children	Info	Count	18	20	28	16	271	Financial Year	↓	↓	Grey	Grey			n/a	175	208	262	330				
6.4	Number of children who have ceased to be Looked After Children	High	Count	31	27	9	16	254	Financial Year	↑	↑	Grey	Grey			n/a	160	192	215	194				
6.5	Percentage of LAC who have ceased to be looked after due to permanence (Special Guardianship Order, Residence Order, Adoption)	High	Percentage	16.1%	51.9%	55.6%	31.3%	31.5%	Financial Year	↓	↑	Red	Red	<33%	33%>	35%+	37.5%	40.1%	27.9%	27.3%				
6.6	Number of SGOs started (Legal Status)	High	Count	3	4	6	3	53	Financial Year	↓	↓	Grey	Grey	range to be set			-	-	-	67				
6.7	Percentage of LAC who have ceased to be looked after due to a Special Guardianship Order	High	Percentage	3.2%	18.5%	11.1%	25.0%	12.6%	Financial Year	↑	↑	Grey	Grey	range to be set			-	-	9.8%	8.2%	12.3% (2017)	22.0% (2017)	12.0% (2017)	17.0% (2017)
6.8	LAC cases reviewed within timescales	High	Percentage	94.5%	91.2%	93.5%	91.2%	88.3%	Financial Year	↓	↓	Yellow	Red	<90%	90%>	95%+	94.9%	83.3%	91.3%	90.6%				
6.9	% of children adopted	High	Percentage	12.9%	14.8%	33.3%	0.0%	12.6%	Financial Year	↓	↓	Red	Red	<20%	20%>	22.7%+	26.3%	22.4%	14.4%	13.9%	19.2%	32.0%	13.0%	19.0%
6.10	Health of Looked After Children - up to date Health Assessments	High	Percentage	87.3%	88.6%	86.3%	83.0%	-	As at mth end	↓	↓	Red	Red	<90%	90%>	95%+	81.4%	92.8%	89.5%	83.7%				
6.11	Health of Looked After Children - up to date Dental Assessments	High	Percentage	83.6%	86.0%	90.7%	87.6%	-	As at mth end	↓	↑	Red	Red	<90%	90%>	95%+	58.8%	95.0%	57.3%	72.5%				
6.12	Health of Looked After Children - Initial Health Assessments carried out within 20 working days	High	Percentage	46.2%	60.9%	100.0%	56.3%	52.0%	Financial Year	↓	↓	Grey	Grey	range to be set			20.0%	8.4%	18.2%	55.7%				
6.13	% of LAC with a PEP	High	Percentage	98.0%	98.0%	95.6%	96.2%	-	As at mth end	↑	↑	Green	Green	<90%	90%>	95%+	76.0%	97.8%	97.0%	93.6%				
6.14	% of LAC with up to date PEPs (Report Termly - End Jul, Dec, Mar)	High	Percentage	97.5%	-	-	-	-	As at term end	-	-	Grey	Grey	<90%	90%>	95%+	-	-	98.9%	97.4%				
6.15	% of eligible LAC with an up to date plan	High	Percentage	86.4%	83.9%	87.0%	98.3%	-	As at mth end	↑	↑	Green	Green	<93%	93%>	95%+	98.8%	98.4%	79.1%	89.5%				
6.16	% LAC visits up to date & completed within timescale of National Minimum standard	High	Percentage	97.0%	97.5%	98.1%	95.5%	-	As at mth end	↓	↓	Yellow	Yellow	<95%	95%>	98%+	95.2%	98.1%	74.0%	97.5%				
7.1	Number of care leavers	Info	Count	294	300	299	301	-	As at mth end	↑	↑	Grey	Grey			n/a	183	197	223	256				
7.2	% of eligible LAC & Care Leavers with a pathway plan	High	Percentage	83.4%	84.1%	86.1%	84.5%	-	As at mth end	↓	↓	Red	Red	<93%	93%>	95%+	-	69.8%	99.3%	93.9%				
7.3	% of eligible LAC & Care Leavers with an up to date pathway plan	High	Percentage	69.9%	75.7%	85.5%	79.1%	-	As at mth end	↓	↑	Grey	Grey				-	-	-	70.3%				

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CARE	7.4	% of care leavers in suitable accommodation	High	Percentage	96.3%	96.3%	97.0%	96.3%	-	As at mth end	↓	↑			<95%	95%>	98%+	97.8%	96.5%	97.8%	96.1%	88.3%	94.0%	84.0%	91.0%	
	7.5	% of care leavers in employment, education or training	High	Percentage	62.6%	63.3%	65.2%	63.8%	-	As at mth end	↓	↓			<70%	70%>	72%+	71.0%	68.0%	62.9%	64.1%	56.0%	73.0%	51.0%	59.0%	
PLACEMENTS	8.1	% of long term LAC in placements which have been stable for at least 2 years	High	Percentage	65.5%	64.1%	62.2%	62.6%	-	As at mth end	↑	↑			<68%	68%>	70%+	71.9%	72.7%	66.2%	61.2%	67.6%	78.0%	70.0%	74.0%	
	8.2	% of LAC who have had 3 or more placements - rolling 12 months (Council Plan Indicator)	Low	Percentage	12.8%	14.6%	13.9%	12.7%	-	Rolling Year	↑	↑			13%+	13%<	10.8%<	12.0%	13.0%	11.9%	13.4%	10.6%	8.0%	10.0%	8.9%	
	8.3	% of LAC in a family based setting (Council Plan Indicator)	High	Percentage	83.8%	82.4%	82.8%	82.3%	-	As at mth end	↓	↑			range to be set	85%>		-	-	81.1%	81.0%					
	8.4	% of LAC placed with parents or other with parental responsibility (P1)	Low	Percentage	6.5%	7.5%	7.9%	6.5%	-	As at mth end	↑	↓			range to be set			-	-	5.3%	4.3%					
	8.5	% of LAC in a Commissioned Placement	Low	Percentage	52.7%	53.9%	51.3%	52.3%	-	As at mth end	↓	↓			range to be set			-	43.6%	43.2%	50.5%					
FOSTERING	9.1	Number of LAC in a Fostering Placement (excludes family/friend carers)	High	Count	443	428	436	427	-	As at mth end	↓	↑			range to be set			-	-	353	414					
	9.2	% of LAC in a Fostering Placement (excludes family/friend carers)	High	Percentage	69.9%	68.0%	67.6%	66.4%	-	As at mth end	↓	↑			range to be set			-	-	72.3%	66.0%					
	9.3	Number of Foster Carers (Households)	High	Count	151	149	149	149	-	As at mth end	→	↓			range to be set			-	156	161	154					
	9.4	Number of Foster Carers Recruited	High	Count	1	0	1	1	11	Financial Year	→	↓			range to be set			-	13	32	16					
	9.5	Number of Foster Carers Deregistered	Info	Count	0	2	1	1	21	Financial Year	→	↓			range to be set			-	16	22	25					
ADOPTIONS	10.1	Number of adoptions	High	Count	4	4	3	0	32	Financial Year	↓	↑					n/a	-	43	31	27					
	10.2	Number of adoptions completed within 12 months of SHOBPA	High	Count	2	3	1	0	11	Financial Year	↓	↓					n/a	-	23	12	16					
	10.3	% of adoptions completed within 12 months of SHOBPA	High	Percentage	50.0%	75.0%	33.3%	-	34.4%	Financial Year	-	↓			<83%	83%>	85%+	37.0%	53.5%	38.7%	59.3%					
	10.4	Average number of days between a child becoming Looked After and having a adoption placement (A1)	Low	YTD Average	380.2	365.5	385.3	386.9	-	Financial Year	↓	↓			511+	511<	487<	393.0	296.0	404.0	325.3	479.7	362.0	520.0	455.0	
	10.5	Average number of days between a placement order and being matched with an adoptive family (A2)	Low	YTD Average	214.6	197.8	212.5	212.4	-	Financial Year	↑	↓			127+	127<	121<	169	136	232.9	124.8	205.6	89.0	220.0	171.8	
WORKFORCE & CASELOAD	11.1	% of agency staff in social care (Council Plan Indicator)	Low	Percentage	7.2%	7.1%	5.9%	4.9%	-	As at mth end	↑	new					10%	-	-	-	-					
	11.3	Maximum caseload of social workers in key safeguarding teams (excluding children's disability team)	Low	Average count	27	30	30	33	-	As at mth end	↓	↑			25+	24<	22<	-	29.1	30.0	30.0					
	11.4	Maximum caseload of social workers in LAC	Low	Average count	23	23	23	23	-	As at mth end	→	↑			21+	20<	18<	-	19.2	17.0	18.0					
	11.5	Average number of cases per qualified social worker in LAC Teams 1-3	Within Limits	Average count	15.5	16	19.2	19.4	-	As at mth end	↑	↑			over 1% above range	1% above range	14-20	-	-	-	12.6					
		Average number of cases per qualified social worker in LAC Teams 4 - 5	Within Limits	Average count	14.4	15	16.5	15.3	-	As at mth end	↓	↑			over 1% above range	1% above range	14-20	-	-	-	11.8					
	11.6	Average number of cases per qualified social worker in Duty Teams	Within Limits	Average count	17.2	17.7	20.8	20.2	-	As at mth end	↓	↑			over 1% above range	1% above range	16-22	-	15.8	13.3	17.9					
	11.7	Average number of cases per qualified social worker in CIN Teams (1-12)	Within Limits	Average count	16.2	16.3	19.6	19.6	-	As at mth end	→	↑			over 1% above range	1% above range	16-22	-	18.0	17.7	18.7					
	11.8	Average number of cases per qualified social worker in Children's Disability Team	Within Limits	Average count	12.7	13.3	16.3	21.6	-	As at mth end	↑	↑			over 1% above range	1% above range	16-22	-	19.1	15.4	13.4					
	11.9	Average number of cases per qualified social worker in Complex Abuse Team	Within Limits	Average count	Team has disbanded - On-going cases have been absorbed into the remaining 5 Duty Teams				-	As at mth end	-	-			-	-	over 1% above range	1% above range	16-22	-	-	-	16.6			

CONTACTS

DEFINITION

A contact is where an LA receives a contact about a child, and where there is a request for general advice, information or a social care service. Contacts received are screened against an agreed multi-agency threshold criteria for social care, where a manager agrees these thresholds have been met the contact progresses to a 'Referral' for consideration of an assessment and/or the services which may be required for a child.

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

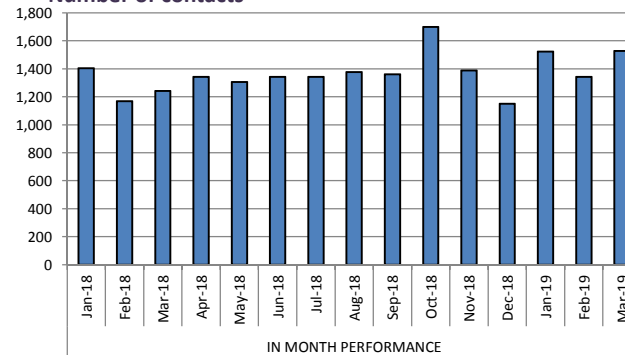
There has been an increase of 187 in the overall number of contacts in March. Data suggests that some of this is due to an increase in referrals from education which increased from 199 in February to 310 in March. The reason for this increase is not clear although 39.7% of the contacts progressed to a referral, suggesting that threshold was met and agreed. Alongside this increase there has been a decline in the timeliness of 1 day decision making. This is due to temporary staffing issues within the MASH. Managers have ensured that all urgent work has been prioritised. Some of the staffing issues have been resolved and plans are being made for duty social workers to support MASH during this interim period.

There has been a slight increase in the number of contacts progressing to referral (25.9%). This also means that there has been a slight increase in the number of assessments started in March. The remainder of the work has been progressed through a MASH screening, and an alternative to a social care assessment has been determined.

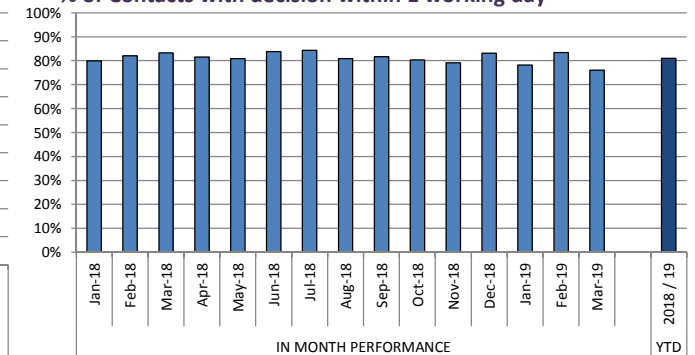
Data Note: Contacts statistics relate to 'new' contacts only. Contacts on open cases and intended for Early Help services have been manually filtered however the configuration of the new system for contacts and referrals is under review as some data fields have unsuitable data options. It is also known that the number of these 'new contacts' progressing to referral and 'new referrals to social care' (reported on separate page) do not currently tally due to complications between the step-up routine between EHM and LCS parts of the system. Therefore the data below may be subject to change once developments are implemented and/or may not be comparable in the future.

		1.1	1.2		1.3	
		No. Contacts	% Contacts with decision within 1 working day		% Contacts progressing to referral	
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-18	1404	1122 of 1404	79.9%	421 of 1404	30.0%
	Feb-18	1167	957 of 1167	82.0%	342 of 1167	29.3%
	Mar-18	1241	1034 of 1241	83.3%	385 of 1241	31.0%
	Apr-18	1342	1094 of 1342	81.5%	438 of 1342	32.6%
	May-18	1305	1055 of 1305	80.8%	489 of 1305	37.5%
	Jun-18	1342	1125 of 1342	83.8%	423 of 1342	31.5%
	Jul-18	1342	1132 of 1342	84.4%	267 of 1342	19.9%
	Aug-18	1376	1113 of 1376	80.9%	313 of 1376	22.7%
	Sep-18	1361	1112 of 1361	81.7%	319 of 1361	23.4%
	Oct-18	1698	1364 of 1698	80.3%	338 of 1698	19.9%
	Nov-18	1387	1098 of 1387	79.2%	317 of 1387	22.9%
	Dec-18	1149	955 of 1149	83.1%	284 of 1149	24.7%
	Jan-19	1523	1190 of 1523	78.1%	363 of 1523	23.8%
Feb-19	1341	1119 of 1341	83.4%	319 of 1341	23.8%	
Mar-19	1528	1161 of 1528	76.0%	395 of 1528	25.9%	
YTD	2018 / 19	16694	13518 of 16694	81.0%	4265 of 16694	25.5%
ANNUAL TREND	2014 / 15	10517		-		42.9%
	2015 / 16	12165		96.5%		40.5%
	2016 / 17	16609		86.0%		26.6%
	2017 / 18	15670	12462 of 15670	79.5%	4495 of 15670	28.7%

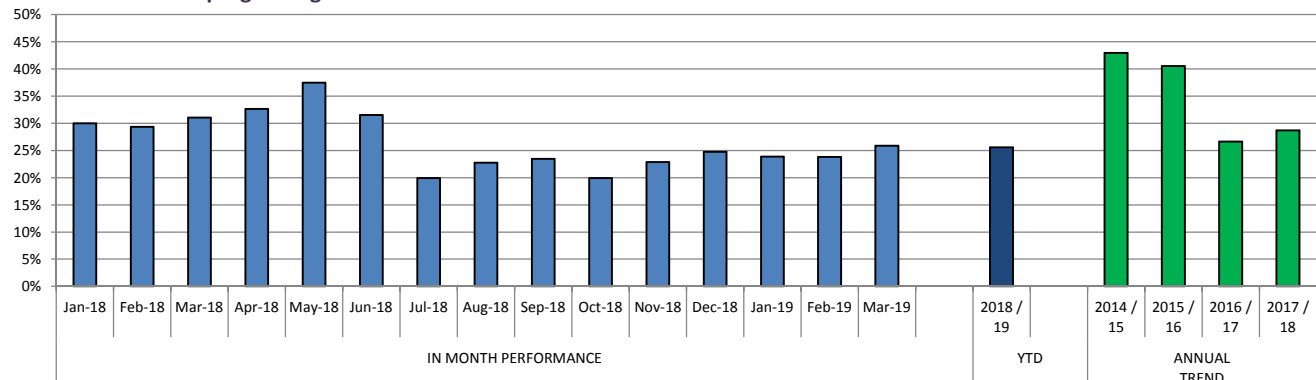
Number of contacts



% of Contacts with decision within 1 working day



% of Contacts progressing to referral



CONTACTS BY SOURCE

DEFINITION An initial contact is where a LA receives a contact about a child, and where there is a request for general advice, information or a social care service. Contacts received are screened against an agreed multi-agency threshold criteria for social care, where a manager agrees these thresholds have been met the contact progresses to a 'referral' for consideration of an assessment and/or services which may be required for a child. The analysis below provides a breakdown of numbers and progression rates to referral by the source of contact.

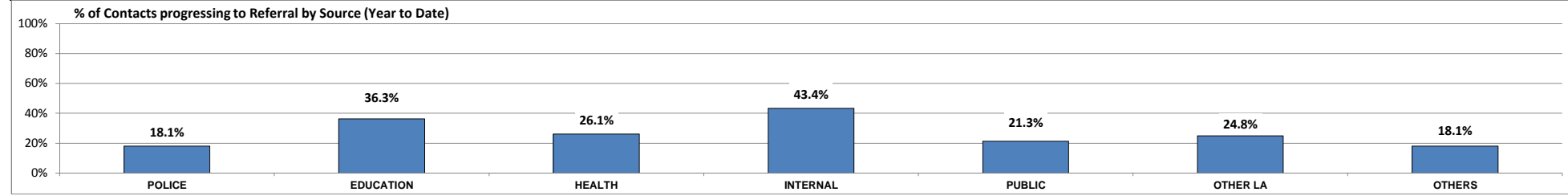
PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

There has been an increase of 187 in the overall number of contacts in March. The data suggests that some of this is due to an increase of contacts from education from 199 to 310. There has been a reduction in the percentage of health contacts progressing to referrals this month. This is a concern and will need further exploration.

The below table sets out the proportion of contacts from each agency progressing to referral. It demonstrates a high proportion of contacts do not progress to referral or assessment. This does not mean that the information should not have been passed to MASH in the first instance, as it is likely that the work undertaken by MASH has ensured an appropriate response. It is anticipated that the further embedding of the Early Help assessment across the partnership - a piece of work that is progressing, though from a low base, will assist with this. Further work is being undertaken within MASH to better integrate the Social Care and Early Help screening functions, which will help to support the work to better embed Early Help assessments in all accumulating children's cases.

We are also undertaking a targeted piece of work with health colleagues, to improve their completion of early help assessments.

	(1) POLICE			(2) Education services (Inc. Schools)			(3) Health services			(4) Internal council services			(5) Members of public (Inc. self / parent)			(6) OTHER LOCAL AUTHORITIES			(7) Others (Inc. Children centres, Legal services, cafcass)			
	Total Contacts	No. prog. to referral	% prog. to referral	Total Contacts	No. prog. to referral	% prog. to referral	Total Contacts	No. prog. to referral	% prog. to referral	Total Contacts	No. prog. to referral	% prog. to referral	Total Contacts	No. prog. to referral	% prog. to referral	Total Contacts	No. prog. to referral	% prog. to referral	Total Contacts	No. prog. to referral	% prog. to referral	
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-18	428	95	22.2%	224	97	43.3%	168	46	27.4%	186	89	47.8%	184	42	22.8%	41	9	22.0%	173	43	24.9%
	Feb-18	431	93	21.6%	145	66	45.5%	136	43	31.6%	189	76	40.2%	108	21	19.4%	23	9	39.1%	135	34	25.2%
	Mar-18	351	53	15.1%	217	99	45.6%	178	58	32.6%	204	98	48.0%	132	42	31.8%	37	7	18.9%	122	28	23.0%
	Apr-18	442	111	25.1%	184	93	50.5%	142	42	29.6%	194	98	50.5%	175	42	24.0%	30	9	30.0%	175	43	24.6%
	May-18	409	116	28.4%	198	84	42.4%	139	61	43.9%	257	146	56.8%	111	36	32.4%	25	8	32.0%	166	38	22.9%
	Jun-18	411	96	23.4%	180	87	48.3%	151	42	27.8%	206	114	55.3%	178	44	24.7%	31	3	9.7%	185	37	20.0%
	Jul-18	420	49	11.7%	125	39	31.2%	216	54	25.0%	179	59	33.0%	153	21	13.7%	40	12	30.0%	209	33	15.8%
	Aug-18	537	100	18.6%	11	1	9.1%	199	42	21.1%	205	82	40.0%	180	37	20.6%	79	19	24.1%	165	32	19.4%
	Sep-18	517	65	12.6%	218	70	32.1%	185	54	29.2%	184	71	38.6%	121	23	19.0%	45	16	35.6%	91	20	22.0%
	Oct-18	702	84	12.0%	235	82	34.9%	202	52	25.7%	174	70	40.2%	131	32	24.4%	51	10	19.6%	203	8	3.9%
	Nov-18	478	98	20.5%	217	55	25.3%	154	31	20.1%	191	77	40.3%	123	22	17.9%	30	10	33.3%	194	24	12.4%
	Dec-18	382	74	19.4%	134	32	23.9%	170	54	31.8%	131	58	44.3%	156	37	23.7%	45	9	20.0%	131	20	15.3%
	Jan-19	576	121	21.0%	190	59	31.1%	191	41	21.5%	217	81	37.3%	134	20	14.9%	39	9	23.1%	176	32	18.2%
Feb-19	483	57	11.8%	199	73	36.7%	157	46	29.3%	160	63	39.4%	145	28	19.3%	46	10	21.7%	151	42	27.8%	
Mar-19	501	90	18.0%	310	123	39.7%	186	26	14.0%	225	89	39.6%	137	30	21.9%	34	8	23.5%	135	29	21.5%	
YTD	2018 / 19	5858	1061	18.1%	2201	798	36.3%	2092	545	26.1%	2323	1008	43.4%	1744	372	21.3%	495	123	24.8%	1981	358	18.1%
ANNUAL TREND	2014 / 15																					
	2015 / 16	4383	1321	30.1%	1586	909	57.3%	1636	789	48.2%	1735	866	49.9%	1303	513	39.4%	2	0	0.0%	1520	517	34.0%
	2016 / 17	6085	1193	19.6%	1997	864	43.3%	1708	474	27.8%	784	317	40.4%	1404	371	26.4%	335	0.8	0.2%	4296	1112	25.9%
	2017 / 18	5936	1139	19.2%	1952	777	39.8%	1798	575	32.0%	2281	1159	50.8%	1350	336	24.9%	486	153	31.5%	1867	356	19.1%



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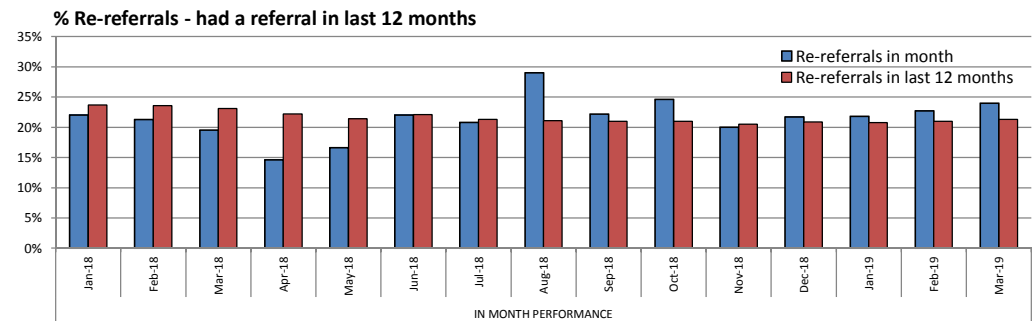
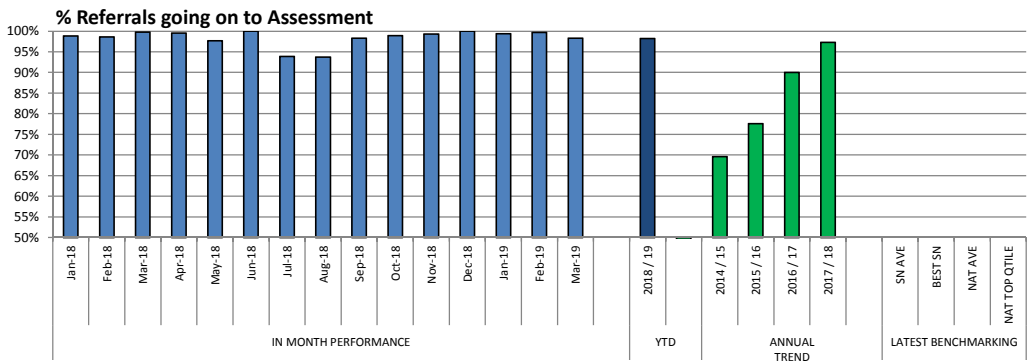
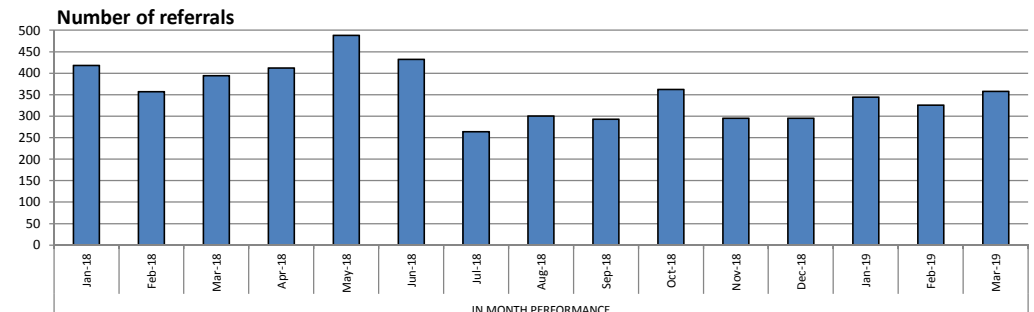
DEFINITION A contact meeting the agreed multi agency threshold progresses to a 'referral' for consideration of an assessment and/or services may be required for a child or further information is required to make an informed decision.

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

There has been a slight increase in referrals in March (32). This is in line with the increase of contacts during this time.

The number of referrals progressing to assessment in month remains high (98.37%) which is in line with the operational process, where the majority of screening activity takes place within contacts.

		1.4	1.5		1.10	1.9	1.6	1.7	1.8
		No. of Referrals	No. of Referrals (rolling 12 months)	Rate of referrals (10k pop) rolling 12 month	No. of CSE Referrals (Victim & Perpetrator)	CSE Cohort (Council Plan Indicator)	% Referrals going on to Assessment	% Re-referrals - had a referral in last 12 months - in month	% Re-referrals - had a referral in last 12 months - rolling 12 months
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-18	418	4575	808.4	5	78	98.8%	22.0%	23.7%
	Feb-18	357	4554	804.7	12	77	98.6%	21.3%	23.6%
	Mar-18	394	4497	794.6	20	85	99.7%	19.5%	23.1%
	Apr-18	412	4608	814.2	12	81	99.5%	14.6%	22.2%
	May-18	488	4725	834.9	9	73	97.7%	16.6%	21.4%
	Jun-18	432	4680	827.0	9	72	100.0%	22.0%	22.1%
	Jul-18	264	4659	818.1	6	67	93.9%	20.8%	21.3%
	Aug-18	300	4668	819.7	4	56	93.7%	29.0%	21.1%
	Sep-18	293	4641	815.0	13	55	98.3%	22.2%	21.0%
	Oct-18	362	4573	803.0	9	57	98.9%	24.6%	21.0%
	Nov-18	295	4404	773.4	7	56	99.3%	20.0%	20.5%
	Dec-18	295	4310	756.8	8	64	100.0%	21.7%	20.9%
	Jan-19	344	4236	743.8	10	60	99.4%	21.8%	20.8%
Feb-19	326	4205	738.4	7	64	99.7%	22.7%	21.0%	
Mar-19	358	4169	732.1	9	63	98.3%	24.0%	21.3%	
YTD	2018 / 19	4169	-	-	103	-	98.2%	-	-
ANNUAL TREND	2014 / 15	4513	-	-	-	-	69.6%	-	-
	2015 / 16	4915	-	-	200	-	77.6%	-	-
	2016 / 17	5127	-	909.8	256	-	90.0%	-	27.5%
	2017 / 18	4497	-	794.6	169	85	97.3%	-	23.1%
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE			613.8					20.7%
	BEST SN			438.1					12.8%
	NAT AVE			552.5					21.9%
	NAT TOP QTILE			-					16.3%



NEW ASSESSMENTS - STARTED / COMPLETED

DEFINITION

If a child meets the Children's Act definition of 'Child in Need' or is likely to be at risk of significant harm, authorisation will be given for an assessment of needs to be started to determine which services to provide and what action to take. National Working Together guidelines state that the maximum timeframe for the assessment to be completed is 45 working days from the point of referral. If, in discussion with a child and their family and other professionals, an assessment exceeds 45 working days the social worker should record the reasons for exceeding the time limit.

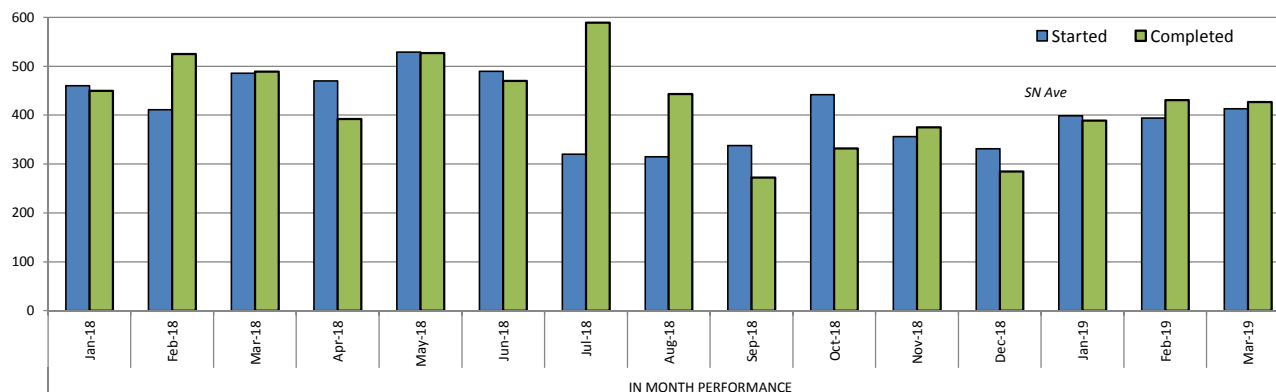
PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

In March more assessments were completed than started, with a difference of 14. This again is positive and it indicates more timely assessments. 88.8% of assessments were completed within 45 days (higher than statistical neighbour average). Again, this is an improvement on last month.

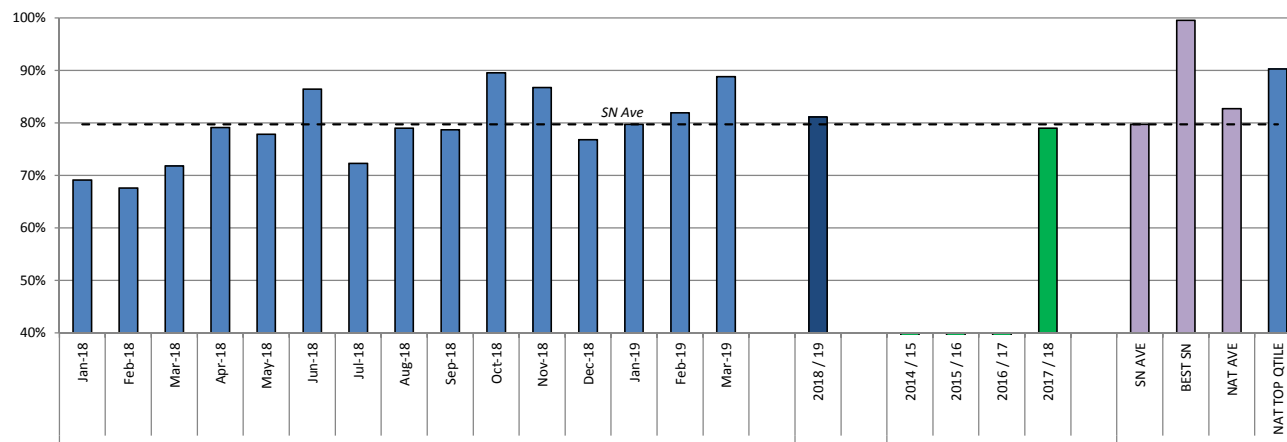
At the time of writing, there are 34 assessments across the service open over 45 days. 0 of these relate to first assessments (NEW). The assessments are all updated assessments and further scrutiny demonstrates the spread of teams that the assessments sit across. Targeted work is being undertaken to address this. At the time of writing, there are 540 open assessments, a reduction of 90 from this time last month, which is positive.

		2.1	2.4	2.2	2.3
		Number of Assessments started	No. of Assessments completed in Month	% completed within 45 working days	Open assessments already past 45 working days
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-18	460	450	69.1%	101
	Feb-18	411	525	67.6%	81
	Mar-18	486	489	71.8%	53
	Apr-18	470	392	79.1%	63
	May-18	529	527	77.8%	76
	Jun-18	490	470	86.4%	112
	Jul-18	320	589	72.3%	80
	Aug-18	315	443	79.0%	72
	Sep-18	338	272	78.7%	58
	Oct-18	442	332	89.5%	50
	Nov-18	356	375	86.7%	55
	Dec-18	331	285	76.8%	60
	Jan-19	399	389	79.7%	76
Feb-19	394	431	81.9%	40	
Mar-19	413	427	88.8%	21	
YTD	2018 / 19	4797	4932	81.1%	-
ANNUAL TREND	2014 / 15	-	-	-	-
	2015 / 16	-	-	-	-
	2016 / 17	-	-	-	-
	2017 / 18	5195	4999	79.0%	-
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE			79.7%	
	BEST SN			99.5%	
	NAT AVE			82.7%	
	NAT TOP QTILE			90.2%	

Assessments Started / Completed



% completed within 45 working days



NEW ASSESSMENTS - OUTCOMES

DEFINITION Every assessment should be focused on outcomes, deciding which services and support to provide to deliver improved welfare for the child and reflect the child's best interests. Local monitoring processes were reviewed and new outcome options established June 2015 therefore care should be taken when comparing trend data from before that time.

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

There has been an increase in assessments requiring on-going involvement this month (3.6%). This means that 76.1% of children assessed during March required further support at either a social care or early help level of intervention. This supports MASH decision making and threshold application. It suggests that thresholds are being appropriately applied and we are assessing and supporting children who need this.

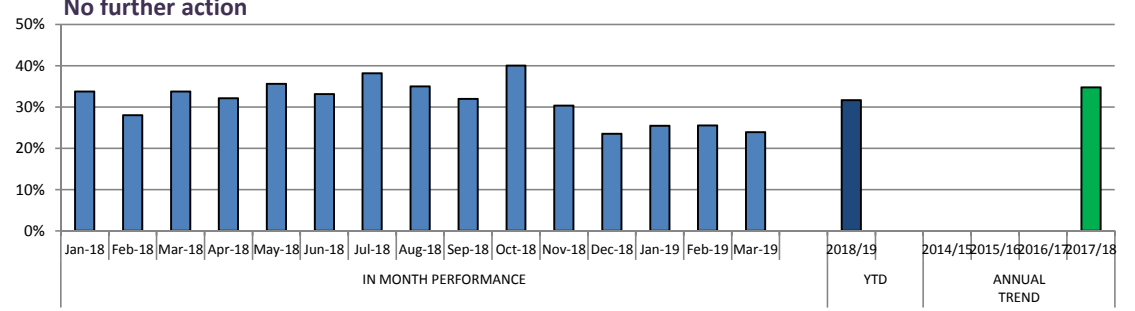
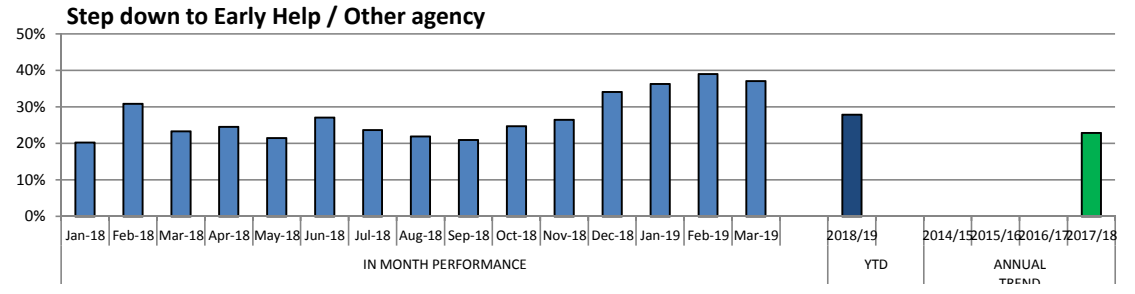
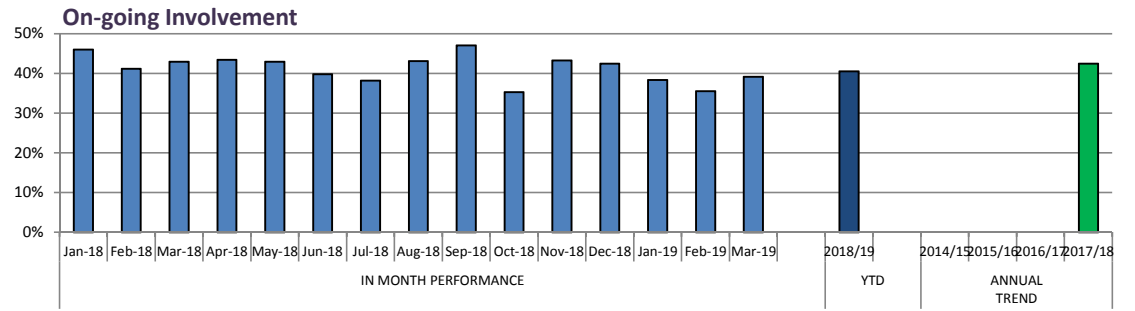
Data Note: Following data cleansing carried out by the P&Q team a number of previous 'NFA' cases between Apr 18 - Nov 18, have moved to 'On-going involvement' (Outcome - NFA (Early Exit due to Early Section 4).

	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.8
	On-going Involvement	No further action	Step down to Early Help	Not Recorded/Other

IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-18	207 of 450	46.0%	152 of 450	33.8%	91 of 450	20.2%	0 of 450	0.0%
	Feb-18	216 of 525	41.1%	147 of 525	28.0%	162 of 525	30.9%	0 of 525	0.0%
	Mar-18	210 of 489	42.9%	165 of 489	33.7%	114 of 489	23.3%	0 of 489	0.0%
	Apr-18	170 of 392	43.4%	126 of 392	32.1%	96 of 392	24.5%	0 of 392	0.0%
	May-18	226 of 527	42.9%	188 of 527	35.7%	113 of 527	21.4%	0 of 527	0.0%
	Jun-18	187 of 470	39.8%	156 of 470	33.2%	127 of 470	27.0%	0 of 470	0.0%
	Jul-18	225 of 589	38.2%	225 of 589	38.2%	139 of 589	23.6%	0 of 589	0.0%
	Aug-18	191 of 443	43.1%	155 of 443	35.0%	97 of 443	21.9%	0 of 443	0.0%
	Sep-18	128 of 272	47.1%	87 of 272	32.0%	57 of 272	21.0%	0 of 272	0.0%
	Oct-18	117 of 332	35.2%	133 of 332	40.1%	82 of 332	24.7%	0 of 332	0.0%
	Nov-18	162 of 375	43.2%	114 of 375	30.4%	99 of 375	26.4%	0 of 375	0.0%
	Dec-18	121 of 285	42.5%	67 of 285	23.5%	97 of 285	34.0%	0 of 285	0.0%
	Jan-19	149 of 389	38.3%	99 of 389	25.4%	141 of 389	36.2%	0 of 389	0.0%
	Feb-19	153 of 431	35.5%	110 of 431	25.5%	168 of 431	39.0%	0 of 431	0.0%
	Mar-19	167 of 427	39.1%	102 of 427	23.9%	158 of 427	37.0%	0 of 427	0.0%

YTD	2018/19	1996 of 4932	40.5%	1562 of 4932	31.7%	1374 of 4932	27.9%	0 of 4932	0.0%
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ANNUAL TREND	2014/15		-		-		-		-
	2015/16		-		-		-		-
	2016/17		-		-		-		-
	2017/18	2121 of 4999	42.4%	1737 of 4999	34.7%	1140 of 4999	22.8%	1 of 4999	0.0%



UPDATED ASSESSMENTS - STARTED / COMPLETED

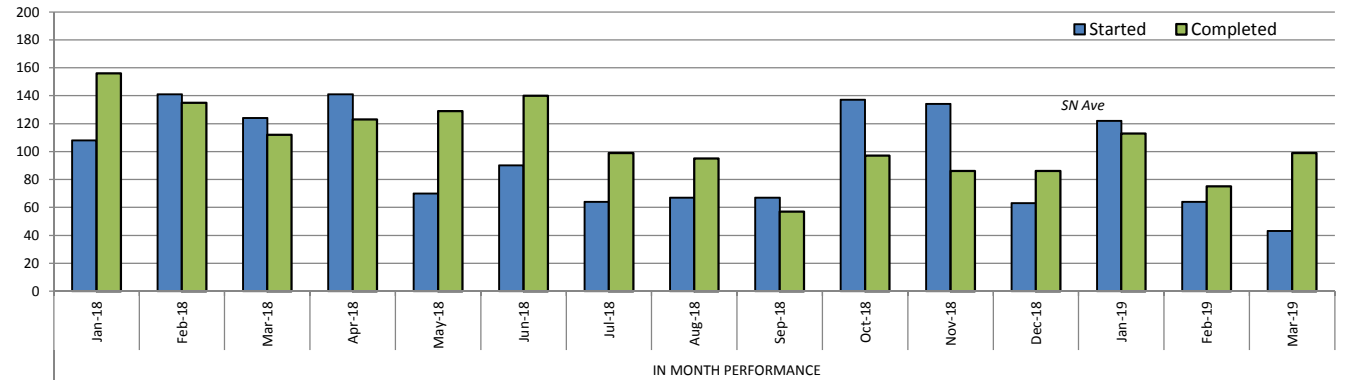
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PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

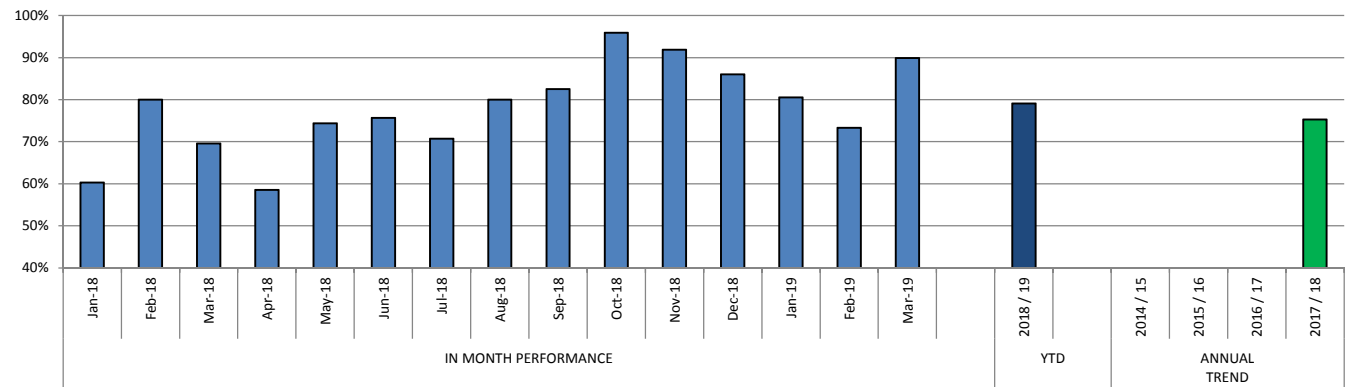
Locally there is a requirement to report on updated assessments separately to those assessments initially following referral and those commenced due to a strategy meeting, to ensure we compare on a like for like basis with national data. Therefore the below only shows performance for assessment updates.

		2.1	2.4	2.2	2.3
		Number of Assessments started	No. of Assessments completed in Month	% completed within 45 working days	Open assessments already past 45 working days
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-18	108	156	60.3%	18
	Feb-18	141	135	80.0%	10
	Mar-18	124	112	69.6%	20
	Apr-18	141	123	58.5%	18
	May-18	70	129	74.4%	21
	Jun-18	90	140	75.7%	19
	Jul-18	64	99	70.7%	1
	Aug-18	67	95	80.0%	6
	Sep-18	67	57	82.5%	1
	Oct-18	137	97	95.9%	1
	Nov-18	134	86	91.9%	1
	Dec-18	63	86	86.0%	1
	Jan-19	122	113	80.5%	4
	Feb-19	64	75	73.3%	0
	Mar-19	43	99	89.9%	2
YTD	2018 / 19	1062	1199	79.1%	-
ANNUAL TREND	2014 / 15	-	-	-	-
	2015 / 16	-	-	-	-
	2016 / 17	-	-	-	-
	2017 / 18	1769	1791	75.3%	-

Assessments Started / Completed



% completed within 45 working days



SECTION 47 INVESTIGATIONS - STARTED

DEFINITION

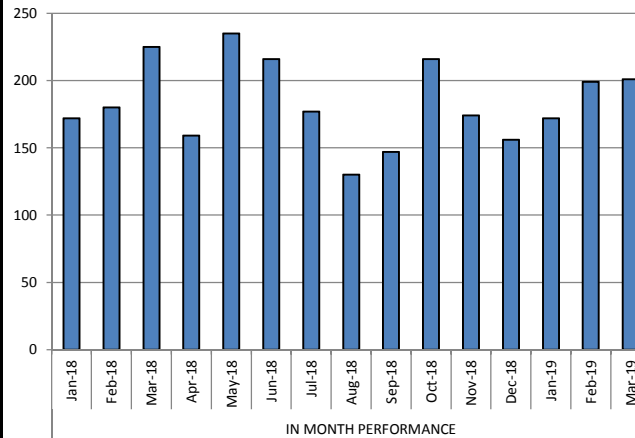
If there is reasonable cause to suspect a child is suffering or likely to be suffering significant harm a Strategy Discussion will be convened between child protection staff and other relevant bodies. The Strategy Discussion may then decide to launch a Section 47 enquiry. This means the local authority must investigate the case further.

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

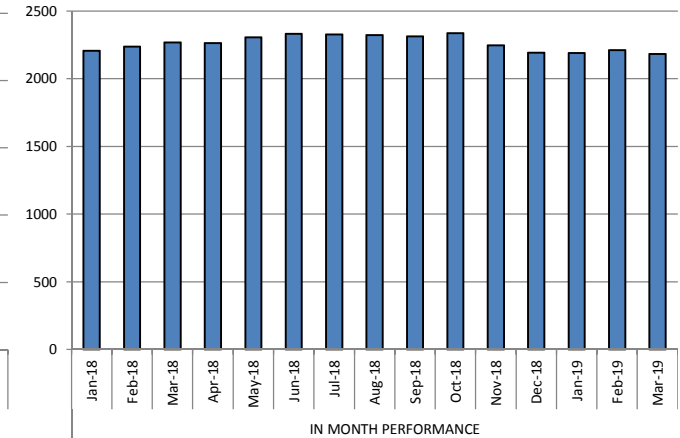
There has been a slight increase in the number of S47 investigations in March. Following audit activity, and the outcomes of investigations it is suggested that in the majority these are appropriate. In the month of March 96.5% of S47's concerns were either substantiated with continuing risk identified, or substantiated but with no continuing risk (see over the page).

		3.1	3.2	3.3
		Number of S47's Investigations - Started (C&YP)	Number of S47's Investigations Started - rolling 12 month (C&YP)	Rate of S47's per 10K pop. -12 month rolling
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-18	172	2207	390.0
	Feb-18	180	2237	395.3
	Mar-18	225	2267	400.6
	Apr-18	159	2264	400.0
	May-18	235	2306	407.5
	Jun-18	216	2332	409.5
	Jul-18	177	2328	408.8
	Aug-18	130	2322	407.7
	Sep-18	147	2314	406.3
	Oct-18	216	2336	410.2
	Nov-18	174	2246	394.4
	Dec-18	156	2193	385.1
	Jan-19	172	2191	384.7
Feb-19	199	2211	388.3	
Mar-19	201	2182	383.2	
YTD	2018/19	2182	-	-
ANNUAL TREND	2014/15	909	-	-
	2015/16	1478	-	262.1
	2016/17	1457	-	258.3
	2017/18	2267	-	400.6
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE	-	-	212.6
	BEST SN	-	-	110.7
	NAT AVE	-	-	166.9
	NAT TOP Q TILE	-	-	-

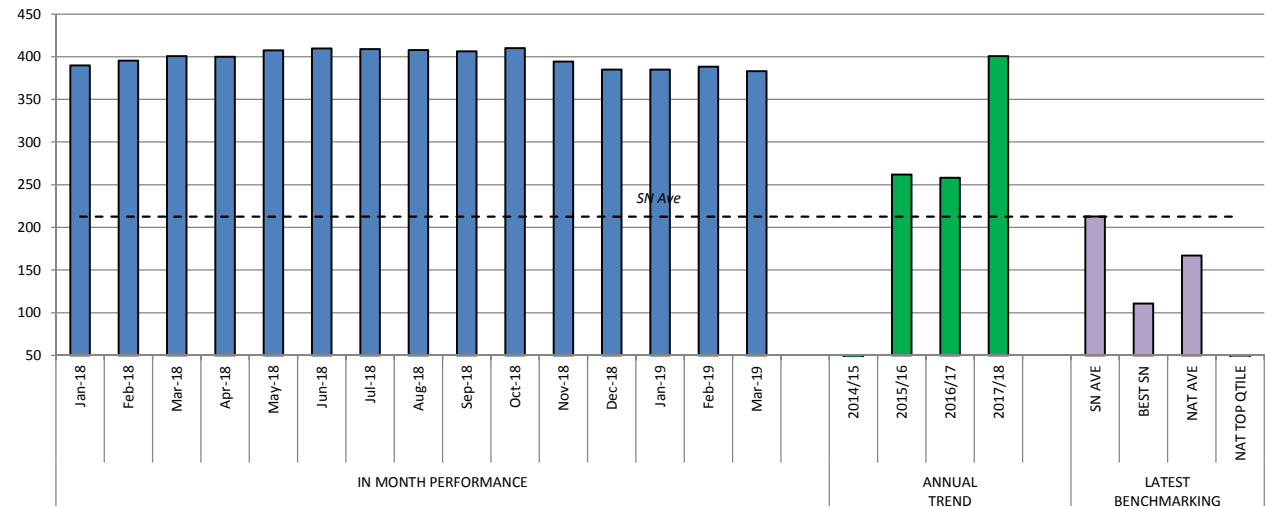
Number of S47's Investigations - in month



Number of S47's Investigations - rolling 12 month



Rate of S47's per 10K pop - rolling 12 months



SECTION 47 INVESTIGATIONS - COMPLETED

DEFINITION	Section 47 enquiries are conducted through a Child's Assessment. Depending on the outcome of a Section 47 enquiry, it may range from 'no further action necessary' through 'further monitoring needed' to the convening of a Child Protection Conference.
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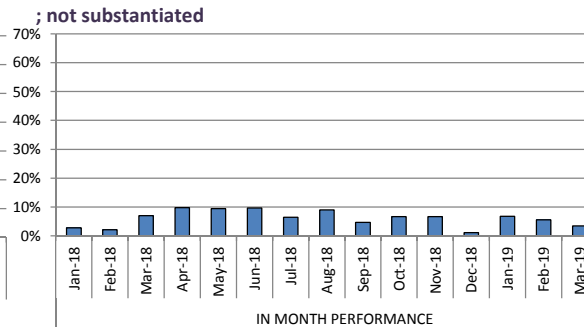
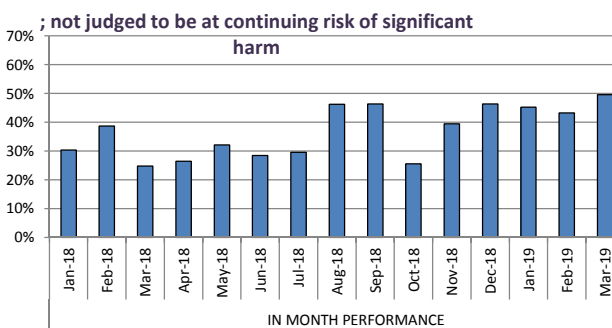
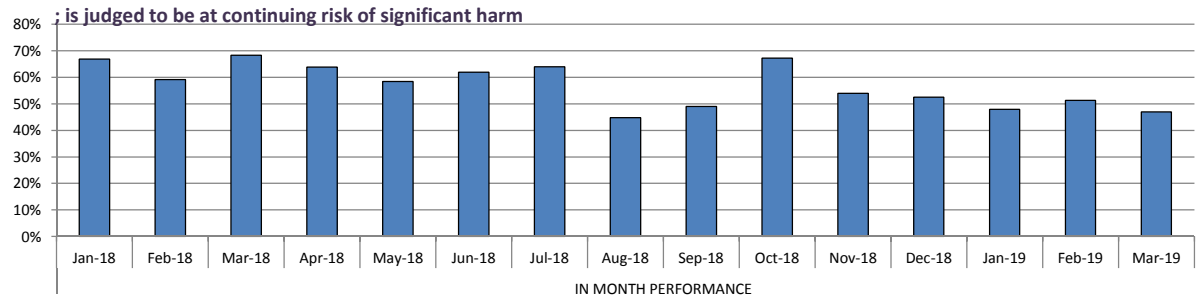
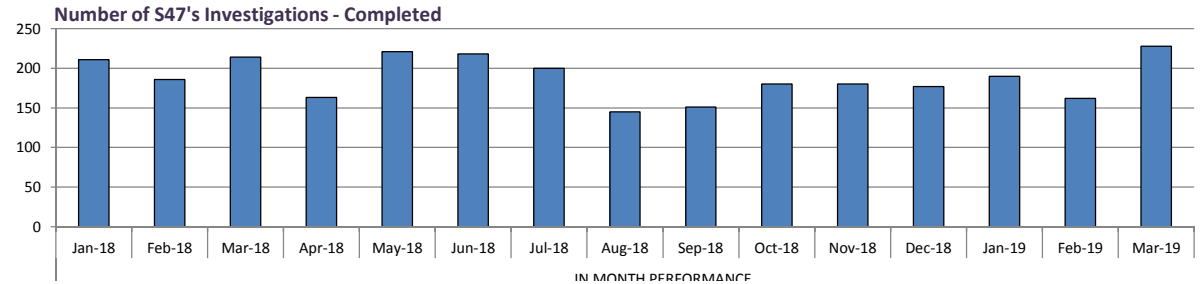
PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS	<p>Trend data in relation to Section 47 investigations continues to suggest high volume. 96.5% of S47 investigations completed resulted in concerns being substantiated, with 46.9% of these being judged to be at continuing risk of harm.</p> <p>This activity continues to be subjected to management scrutiny.</p>
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	3.4	3.5					3.6		3.7		3.8	
		Completed S47's by outcome (C&YP) -										
	Number of S47's Investigations - Completed (C&YP)	Concerns are substantiated - continuing risk of significant harm	Concerns are substantiated - no continuing risk of significant harm	Concerns not substantiated	Not recorded							

IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-18	211	141	66.8%	64	30.3%	6	2.8%	0	0.0%
	Feb-18	186	110	59.1%	72	38.7%	4	2.2%	0	0.0%
	Mar-18	214	146	68.2%	53	24.8%	15	7.0%	0	0.0%
	Apr-18	163	104	63.8%	43	26.4%	16	9.8%	0	0.0%
	May-18	221	129	58.4%	71	32.1%	21	9.5%	0	0.0%
	Jun-18	218	135	61.9%	62	28.4%	21	9.6%	0	0.0%
	Jul-18	200	128	64.0%	59	29.5%	13	6.5%	0	0.0%
	Aug-18	145	65	44.8%	67	46.2%	13	9.0%	0	0.0%
	Sep-18	151	74	49.0%	70	46.4%	7	4.6%	0	0.0%
	Oct-18	180	121	67.2%	46	25.6%	12	6.7%	1	0.6%
	Nov-18	180	97	53.9%	71	39.4%	12	6.7%	0	0.0%
	Dec-18	177	93	52.5%	82	46.3%	2	1.1%	0	0.0%
	Jan-19	190	91	47.9%	86	45.3%	13	6.8%	0	0.0%
	Feb-19	162	83	51.2%	70	43.2%	9	5.6%	0	0.0%
	Mar-19	228	107	46.9%	113	49.6%	8	3.5%	0	0.0%

YTD	2018/19	2215	1227	55.4%	840	37.9%	147	6.6%	1	0.0%
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ANNUAL TREND	2014/15	876	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	2015/16	1390	810	58.3%	420	30.2%	156	11.2%	4	0.3%
	2016/17	1384	770	55.6%	386	27.9%	151	10.9%	19	1.4%
	2017/18	2243	1432	63.8%	647	28.8%	164	7.3%	0	0.0%



CHILDREN IN NEED (CIN)

DEFINITION If the child is found to be disabled or the assessment finds that their health and development is likely to suffer without local authority intervention, the child will be classed as 'in need', as defined by Section 17 of the Children Act 1989. This means that the local authority is now legally obliged to provide the necessary services and support.

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

The overall population has been reduced by a further 21 children and now stands at 1383 – the lowest reported figure.

The number of children with an up to date plan has also risen to 90.5%.

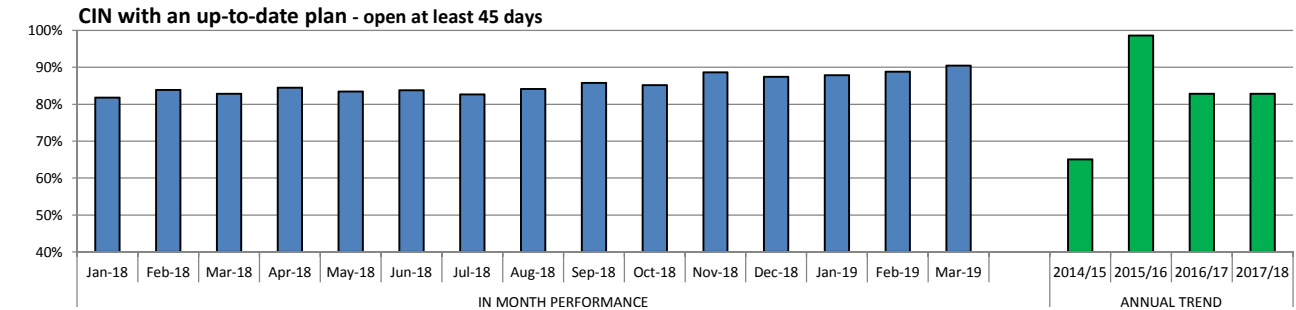
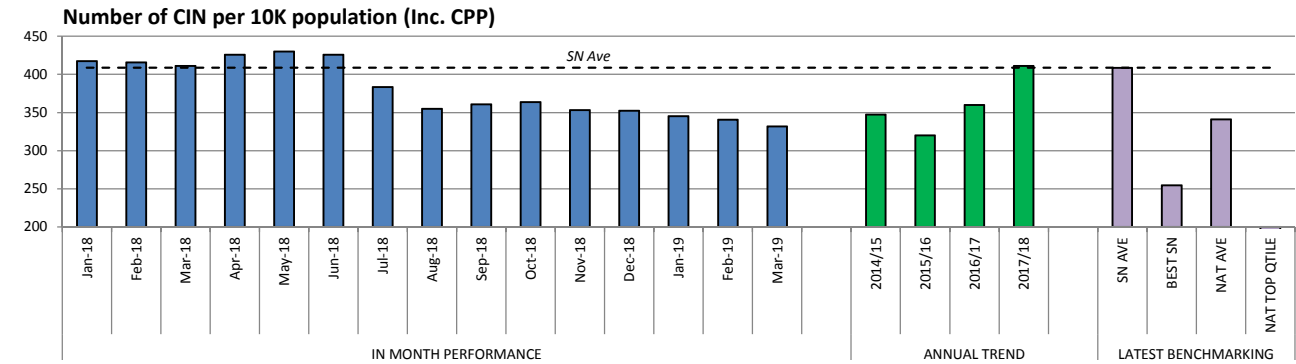
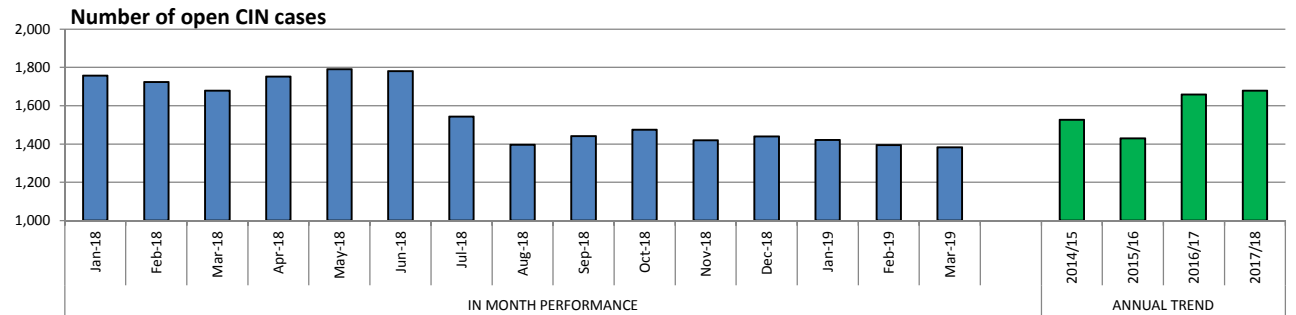
Overall the number of children in need per 10K has dropped to 331.7 which now brings Rotherham below the national average per 10k of population.

		4.1	4.2	4.3	4.4
		Number of open CIN cases	Number of CIN (Inc. CPP as per DfE definition)	Number of CIN per 10K pop. (Inc. CPP as per DfE definition)	CIN with an up-to-date plan (open at least 45 days)
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-18	1758	2361	417.2	81.8%
	Feb-18	1724	2352	415.6	83.9%
	Mar-18	1678	2326	411.0	82.8%
	Apr-18	1752	2410	425.8	84.5%
	May-18	1791	2432	429.7	83.4%
	Jun-18	1781	2425	425.8	83.8%
	Jul-18	1543	2182	383.2	82.7%
	Aug-18	1396	2020	354.7	84.1%
	Sep-18	1441	2053	360.5	85.8%
	Oct-18	1475	2072	363.8	85.2%
	Nov-18	1420	2011	353.1	88.6%
	Dec-18	1440	2006	352.3	87.4%
	Jan-19	1421	1966	345.2	87.9%
	Feb-19	1394	1939	340.5	88.8%
	Mar-19	1383	1889	331.7	90.5%

YTD	2018/19	-	-	-	-
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ANNUAL TREND	2014/15	1526	1947	347.1	65.1%
	2015/16	1430	1805	320.0	98.6%
	2016/17	1659	2029	359.8	82.8%
	2017/18	1678	2326	411.0	82.8%

LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE			408.6	
	BEST SN			254.4	
	NAT AVE			341.0	
	NAT TOP QTILE			-	



INITIAL CHILD PROTECTION CONFERENCES

DEFINITION

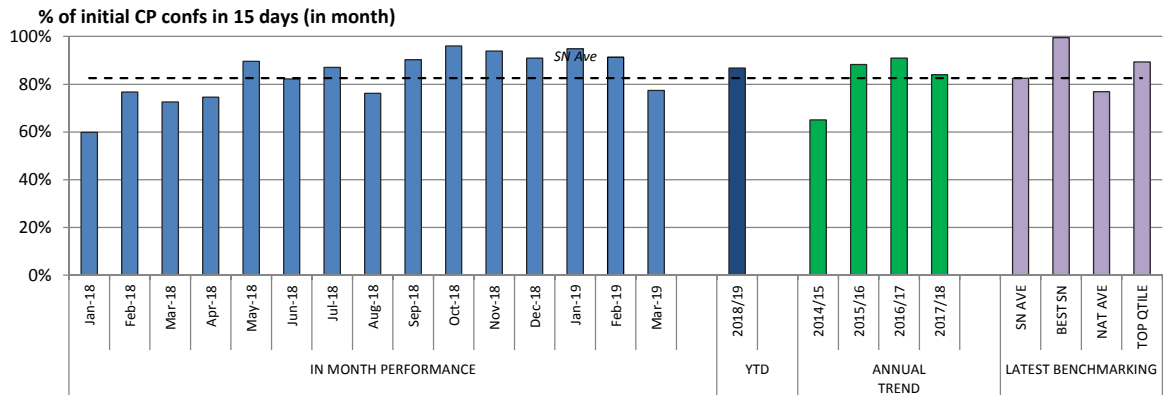
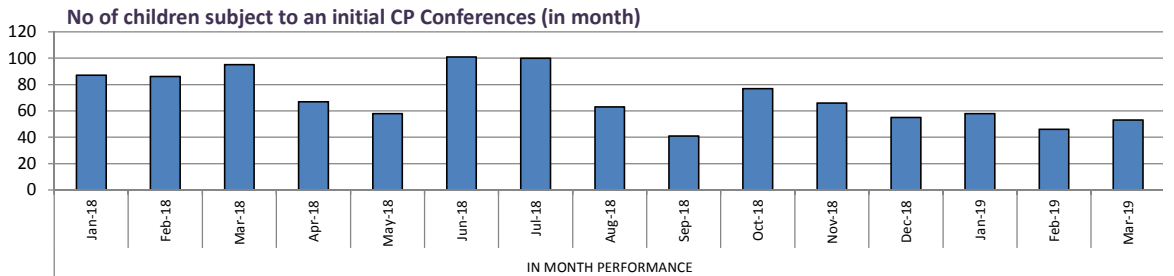
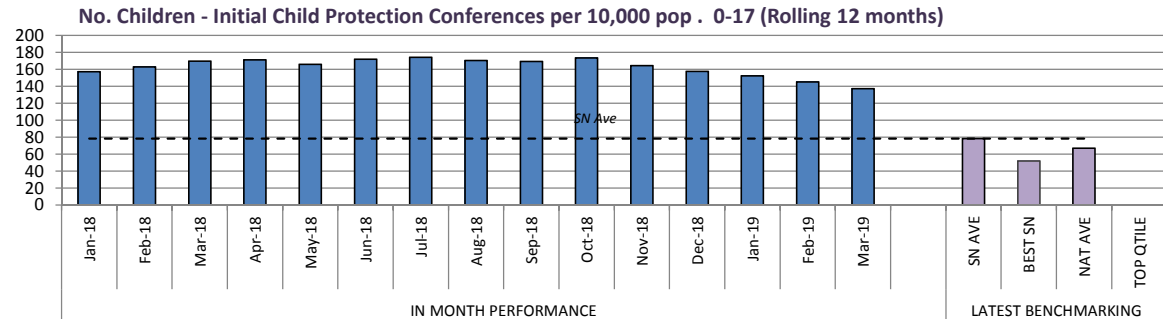
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PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

The timeliness of Initial Child Protection Conferences (ICPC) this month has declined from a high of 91% to 77.4% (41 children out of 53 children had an ICPC in timescale). There has been a high number of late requests for conference this month, combined with a high number of Review Child Protection Conferences in place and 2 Child Protection Chairs on leave. This has limited the flexibility that the Safeguarding Unit can offer to meet the challenging 15 working day timescale.

In response the CP Service manager has worked closely with fieldwork managers to ensure the systems in place to prevent late notification are understood and used effectively. All young people have had a safety plan in place and the Safeguarding has assured oversight of this once they are aware of the need for a conference.

		5.2	5.3	5.4	5.5	
		No of children with initial CP Conference (rolling 12mth)	No. of children with Initial CP Confs per 10K pop (rolling 12mth)	No of children subject to an initial CP Conferences (in month)	No. of initial CP confs (children) in 15 days (in month)	% of initial CP confs in 15 days (in month)
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-18	889	157.1	87	52	59.8%
	Feb-18	922	162.9	86	66	76.7%
	Mar-18	960	169.6	95	69	72.6%
	Apr-18	968	171.0	67	50	74.6%
	May-18	939	165.9	58	52	89.7%
	Jun-18	980	172.1	101	83	82.2%
	Jul-18	992	174.2	100	87	87.0%
	Aug-18	971	170.5	63	48	76.2%
	Sep-18	965	169.5	41	37	90.2%
	Oct-18	987	173.3	77	74	96.1%
	Nov-18	936	164.4	66	62	93.9%
	Dec-18	897	157.5	55	50	90.9%
	Jan-19	868	152.4	58	55	94.8%
Feb-19	827	145.2	46	42	91.3%	
Mar-19	782	137.3	53	41	77.4%	
YTD	2018/19	-	-	785	681	86.8%
ANNUAL TREND	2014/15	556	-	556	-	65.0%
	2015/16	597	-	597	-	88.3%
	2016/17	490	86.9	490	446	91.0%
	2017/18	960	169.6	960	806	84.0%
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE		78.49			82.6%
	BEST SN		51.9			99.5%
	NAT AVE		67			76.9%
	TOP QTILE		-			89.3%



CHILD PROTECTION

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PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

The trend for the number of children per 10K population with a Child Protection Plan (CPP) remains significantly higher (88.9) than that of statistical neighbours (54.5) and the national average (45.3). The numbers of children becoming subject to a plan each month has steadily reduced since June 2018 as expected.

The majority of CP plans continue to be under 12 months. Heads of service and service managers continue to scrutinise the progress of plans, and additional focused work is continuing via the CP summit revisit to particular groups of young people, so we can better understand how we can respond to needs. The Right Child Right Plan work has identified that following the significant peak in ICPC's started in October 2017; given the trajectory, most children are removed from a plan by their second review (15 months after becoming subject to a Plan).

We expect the number of children subject to CP planning to further reduce but potentially not at the rate we have seen in previous months as this cohort settles closer to the benchmark averages as the Rotherham Family Approach and Signs of Safety embeds across the partnership. However, the number of plans alone cannot offer assurance that we have identified the right children at risk of/or experiencing significant harm and are supported by a plan.

	5.7		5.8		5.1	5.6
	No. of children becoming subject to a CP plan per 10K pop - rolling 12 months		No. of children ceased to be subject to a CP plan per 10K pop - rolling 12 months		No. of open CPP cases	No. of open CPP cases per 10K pop under 18

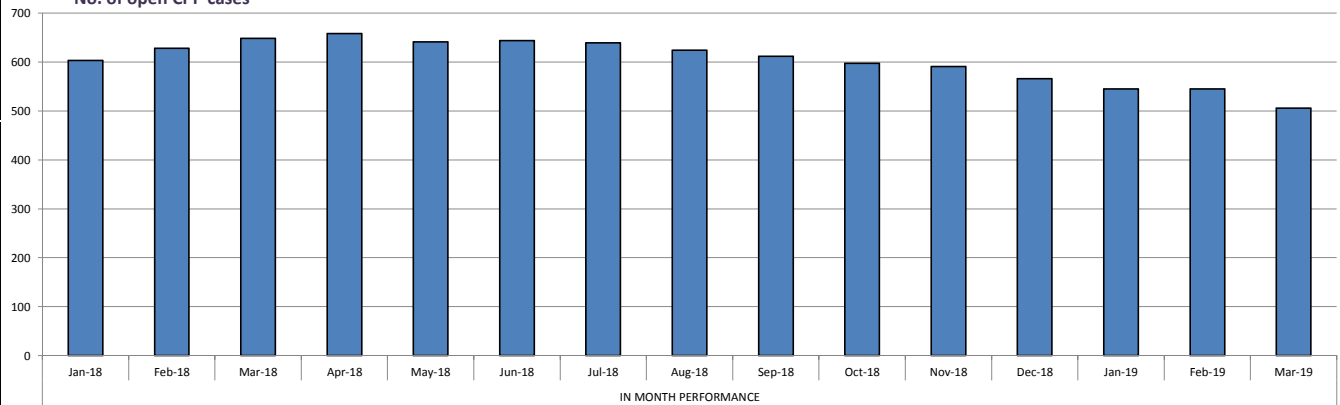
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-18	795	140.5	518	91.5	603	106.6
	Feb-18	823	145.4	555	98.1	628	111.0
	Mar-18	855	151.1	584	103.2	648	114.5
	Apr-18	858	151.6	585	103.4	658	116.3
	May-18	836	147.7	606	107.1	641	113.3
	Jun-18	855	150.1	637	111.9	644	113.1
	Jul-18	856	150.3	678	119.1	639	112.2
	Aug-18	840	147.5	724	127.1	624	109.6
	Sep-18	831	145.9	739	129.8	612	107.5
	Oct-18	843	148.0	748	131.4	597	104.8
	Nov-18	805	141.4	774	135.9	591	103.8
	Dec-18	772	135.6	812	142.6	566	99.4
	Jan-19	754	132.4	814	142.9	545	95.7
	Feb-19	719	126.3	802	140.8	545	95.7
	Mar-19	677	118.9	821	144.2	506	88.9

YTD	2018/19	-	-	-	-	-	-
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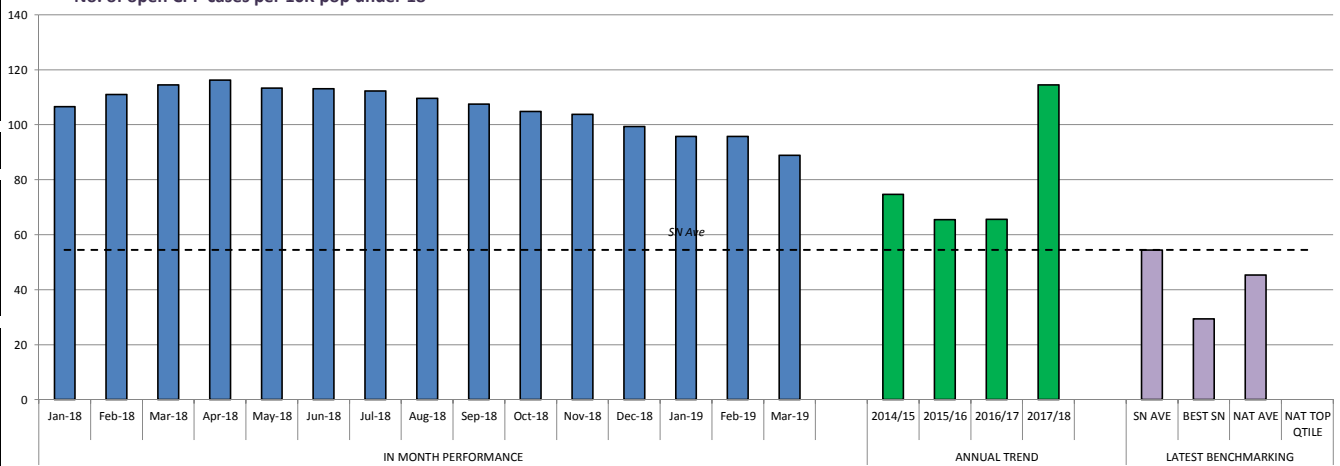
ANNUAL TREND	2014/15	-	93.1	-	85.4	423	74.7
	2015/16	-	93.8	-	105.0	369	65.4
	2016/17	445	79.0	450	79.8	370	65.6
	2017/18	855	151.1	584	103.2	648	114.5

LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE	-	70.7	-	-	-	54.5
	BEST SN	-	47.4	-	-	-	29.4
	NAT AVE	-	58.0	-	-	-	45.3
	NAT TOP QTILE	-	45.7	-	-	-	-

No. of open CPP cases



No. of open CPP cases per 10K pop under 18



CHILD PROTECTION - TIME PERIODS

DEFINITION Child protection plans remain in force until the child is no longer considered at risk, moves out of the local authority area (in which case the receiving authority should convene its own child protection conference) or reaches the age of 18.

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

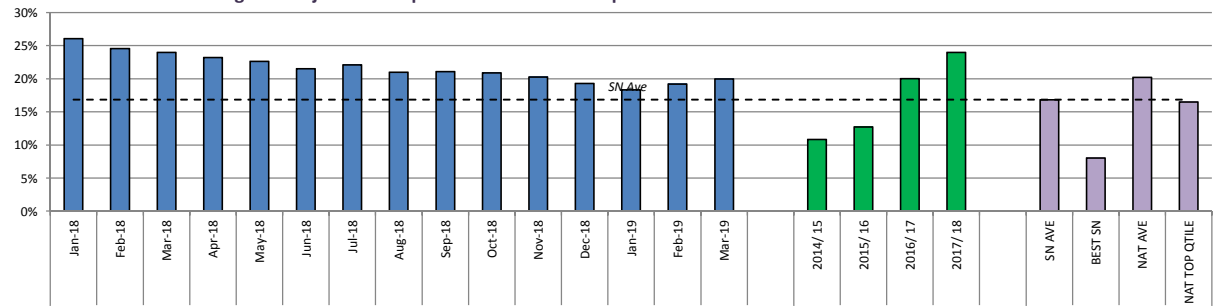
In the last 12 months the proportion of children subject to repeat plans within 24 months has started to see an improving trend which may be an indication that our continuing work with families is making a sustainable impact in keeping children safe. The repeat plans 'ever' measure has also seen an improvement but at a slower rate which is reflective of longer term poor practice. These two measures when considered with the reducing re-referral rates at front door, give us a level of assurance that we are making the right decisions about plans.

The data suggests that the services ability to reach a timely resolution for children at risk continues to be good. This is likely to relate in large part to increasing numbers of children in care and subject of a legal proceeding. There is increased evidence of better use of family group conferencing and edge of care support in addition to the pre-proceedings PLO process.

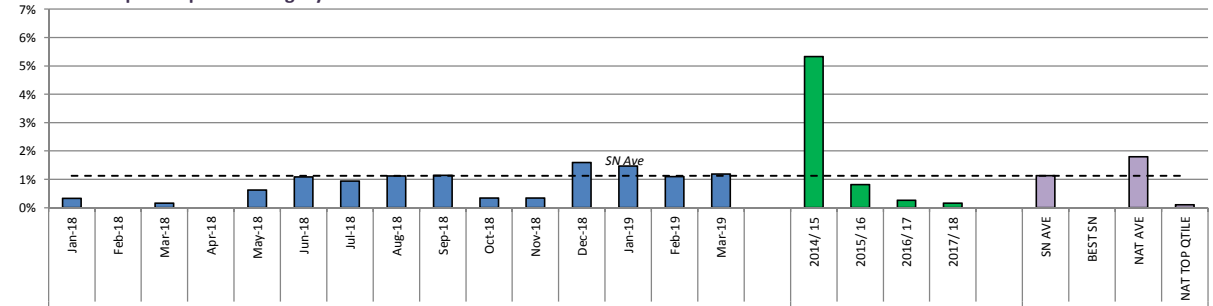
There has been an overall positive reduction in the number of children on a plan for more than 2 years but with a peak in recent months. The situation for these children was expected and is well understood with planning deemed appropriate by senior managers. Regular reviews and management oversight of these cases ensure that we have the right children, subject to the right plan, at the right time.

		5.9		5.10		5.11		5.12	
		Children becoming the subject of a CP plan for a 2nd or subsequent time - in 24 months (Rolling)		Children becoming the subject of a CP plan for a 2nd or subsequent time - Ever (Rolling)		CP plans lasting 2 years or more		CP plans lasting 2 years or more - ceased in period	
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-18	82 of 795	10.3%	207 of 795	26.0%	2 of 603	0.3%	0 of 73	0.0%
	Feb-18	77 of 823	9.4%	202 of 823	24.5%	0 of 628	0.0%	2 of 55	3.6%
	Mar-18	81 of 855	9.5%	205 of 855	24.0%	1 of 648	0.2%	0 of 62	0.0%
	Apr-18	76 of 858	8.9%	199 of 858	23.2%	3 of 658	0.0%	0 of 47	0.0%
	May-18	69 of 836	8.3%	189 of 836	22.6%	4 of 641	0.6%	0 of 63	0.0%
	Jun-18	70 of 855	8.2%	184 of 855	21.5%	7 of 644	1.1%	1 of 68	1.5%
	Jul-18	66 of 856	7.7%	189 of 856	22.1%	6 of 639	0.9%	1 of 87	1.1%
	Aug-18	58 of 840	6.9%	176 of 840	21.0%	7 of 624	1.1%	0 of 72	0.0%
	Sep-18	60 of 831	7.2%	175 of 831	21.1%	7 of 612	1.1%	0 of 51	0.0%
	Oct-18	53 of 843	6.3%	176 of 843	20.9%	2 of 597	0.3%	5 of 79	6.3%
	Nov-18	46 of 805	5.7%	163 of 805	20.2%	2 of 591	0.3%	0 of 67	0.0%
	Dec-18	36 of 772	4.7%	149 of 772	19.3%	9 of 566	1.6%	0 of 78	0.0%
Jan-19	37 of 754	4.9%	138 of 754	18.3%	8 of 545	1.5%	1 of 75	1.3%	
Feb-19	41 of 719	5.7%	138 of 719	19.2%	6 of 545	1.1%	2 of 44	4.5%	
Mar-19	44 of 677	6.5%	135 of 677	19.9%	6 of 506	1.2%	0 of 83	0.0%	
YTD	2018/19	-	-	-	-	-	-	10 of 814	1.2%
ANNUAL TREND	2014/15		4.0%	54 of 499	10.8%	23 of 432	5.3%	20 of 478	4.2%
	2015/16		4.7%	67 of 528	12.7%	3 of 369	0.8%	28 of 588	4.8%
	2016/17	41 of 445	9.2%	89 of 445	20.0%	1 of 367	0.3%	8 of 446	1.8%
	2017/18	81 of 855	9.5%	205 of 855	24.0%	1 of 648	0.2%	5 of 579	0.9%
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE				16.8%		1.1%		3.7%
	BEST SN				8.0%		0.0%		0.0%
	NAT AVE				20.2%		1.8%		3.4%
	NAT TOP QTILE				16.5%		0.1%		2.2%

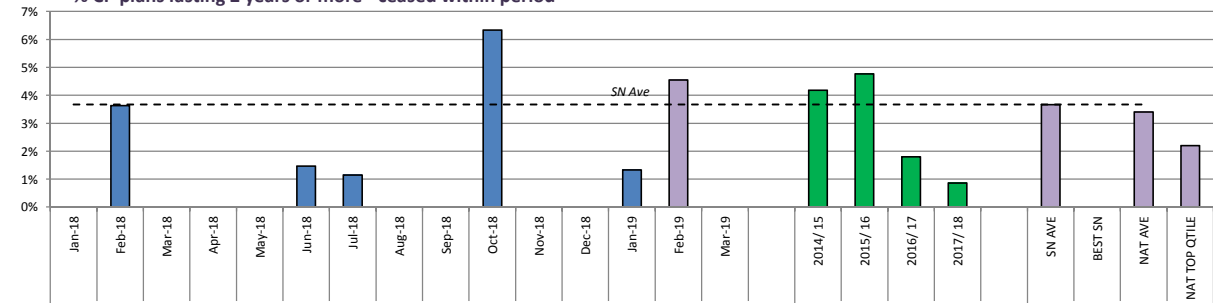
% children becoming the subject of a CP plan for a 2nd or subsequent time - Ever



% of open CP plans lasting 2 years or more



% CP plans lasting 2 years or more - ceased within period



CHILD PROTECTION - REVIEWS, PLANS & VISITS

DEFINITION

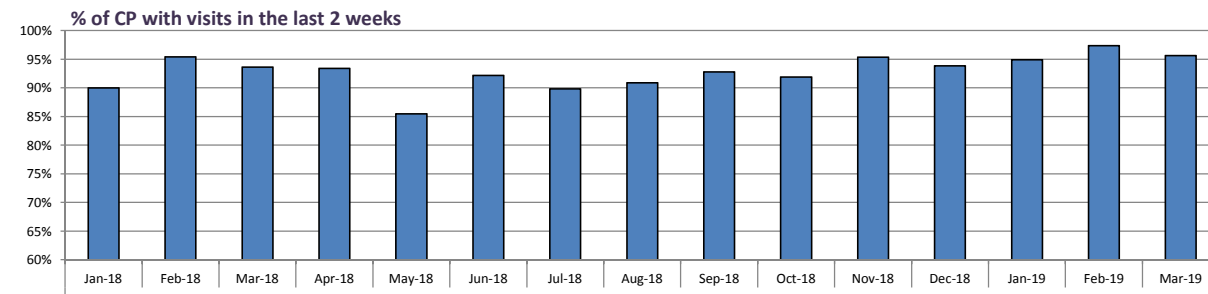
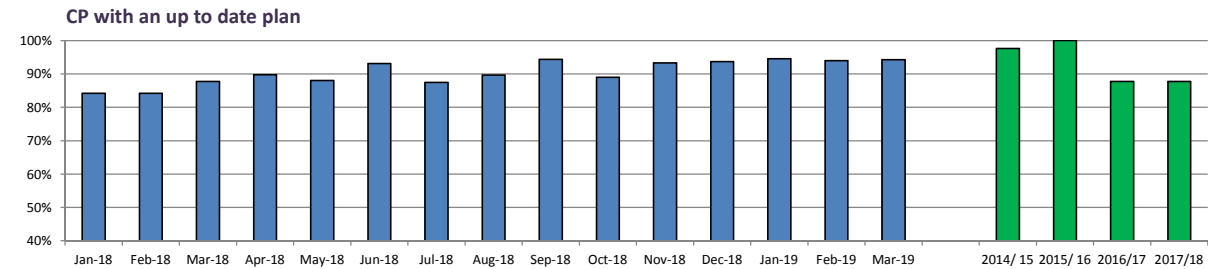
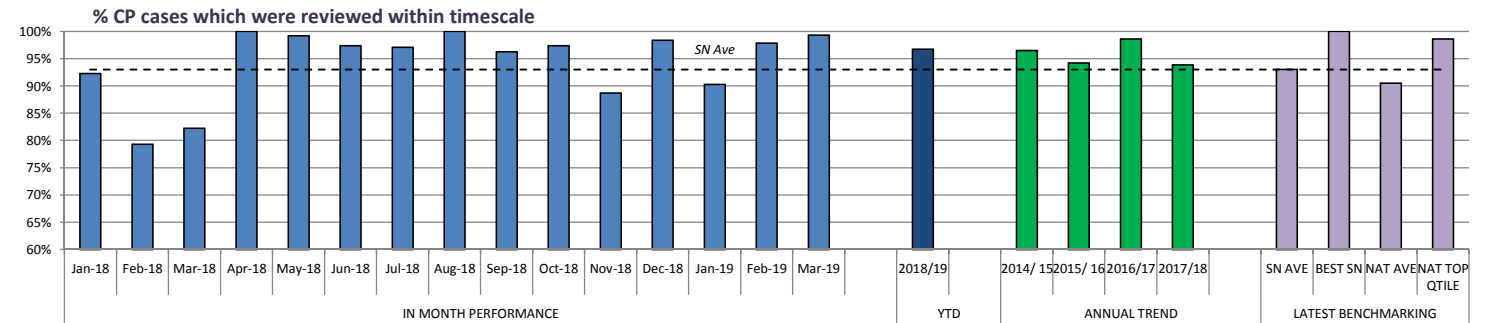
A child protection plan is reviewed after three months and at intervals of no more than six months thereafter. Local standards state that any child subject to a child protection plan should be visited at least every two weeks (this excludes children registered on a CPP for less than a week).

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

Performance in the timeliness of Review Case Conferencing has seen a positive improvement this month to 99.3% being carried out in timescale despite a high level of conferences this month. 151 out of 152 children had their plan reviewed in timescale, which equates to one conference out of time. This reflects our on-going work to maintain the positive changes we have put in place across the Safeguarding Unit and manage the demand with fieldwork services to ensure that plans are reviewed in a timely way. We continue to reinforce the positive impact of effective report sharing for the family and how this supports the most effective decision making at conference and reduces conferences being stood down.

There has been a decrease in the proportion of CPP children with an up-to-date visit since last month. These continue to be scrutinised in performance meetings. Work is being undertaken by service managers to track visits, and there continues to be an issue where the recording of visits does not reflect the work done by the workers.

	5.13		5.14		5.15	
	No. of CP cases reviewed within timescale (Children)		CP with an up to date plan		No. of CP with visits in the last 2 weeks (of those visits due)	
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-18	131 of 142	92.3%	84.2%	529 of 588	90.0%
	Feb-18	111 of 140	79.3%	84.2%	580 of 608	95.4%
	Mar-18	125 of 152	82.2%	87.7%	584 of 624	93.6%
	Apr-18	133 of 133	100.0%	89.8%	594 of 636	93.4%
	May-18	122 of 123	99.2%	88.0%	541 of 633	85.5%
	Jun-18	148 of 152	97.4%	93.1%	576 of 625	92.2%
	Jul-18	165 of 170	97.1%	87.5%	555 of 618	89.8%
	Aug-18	120 of 120	100.0%	89.7%	558 of 614	90.9%
	Sep-18	128 of 133	96.2%	94.4%	552 of 595	92.8%
	Oct-18	150 of 154	97.4%	89.0%	530 of 577	91.9%
	Nov-18	102 of 115	88.7%	93.3%	549 of 576	95.3%
	Dec-18	121 of 123	98.4%	93.7%	530 of 565	93.8%
	Jan-19	158 of 175	90.3%	94.6%	503 of 530	94.9%
Feb-19	90 of 92	97.8%	94.0%	514 of 528	97.3%	
Mar-19	151 of 152	99.3%	94.3%	477 of 499	95.6%	
YTD	2018/19	1588 of 1642	96.7%	-	-	-
ANNUAL TREND	2014/15		96.5%	97.6%		-
	2015/16		94.2%	100.0%		-
	2016/17		98.6%	87.7%	333 of 370	90.0%
	2017/18	1236 of 1317	93.8%	87.7%	584 of 624	93.6%
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE		93.0%			
	BEST SN		100.0%			
	NAT AVE		90.5%			
	NAT TOP Q TILE		98.6%			



LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN

DEFINITION Children in care or 'looked after children' are children who have become the responsibility of the local authority. This can happen voluntarily by parents struggling to cope or through an intervention by children's services because a child is at risk of significant harm.

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

March's performance stabilised following the significant increase in LAC experienced in February with 16 children admitted to care and 16 discharged from care leaving a total of 643 looked after children. There is also the potential for between 26 and 31 children to be discharged over the course of April depending on Court outcomes.

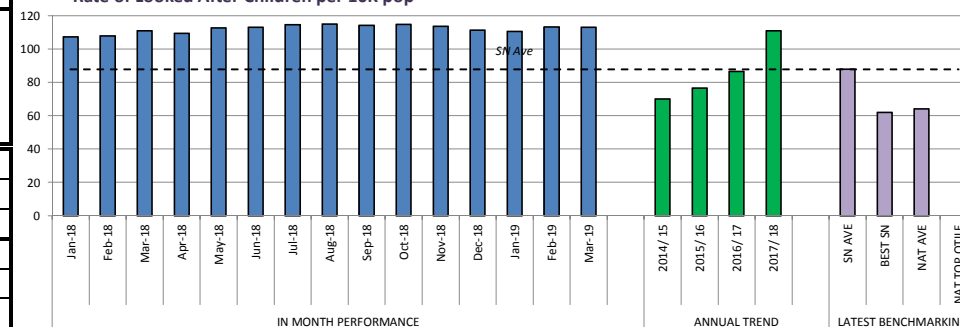
In addition to this the average age of children admitted to care was 7.8 down from 8.2 the previous month. In March there was an Ofsted Focussed Visit which reviewed the permanence planning within Rotherham - a previously identified area for development. The informal feedback was extremely positive and this has been endorsed by the year end performance in respect of permanence with 31.3% of LAC being discharged from care to permanence, up from 27% in the previous year, and 12.6% ceasing LAC by virtue of an SGO (previous years - 9.8% and 8.2%). This being just above the statistical neighbour and national average though still some way off the top quartile figure.

Data Note: An issue has arisen within the Liquid Logic system which is impacting on the reporting LAC children. For some children who have left care and have had previous care episodes, the same 'end date' is copying into the previous episodes within the system. This has been reported, however, until this is rectified we will be unable to accurately report on measures regarding children ceasing care.

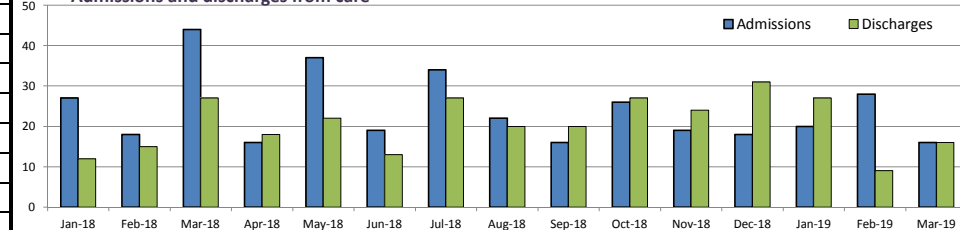
	6.2	6.1	6.3	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.7
	Rate of children looked after per 10K pop	Number of LAC	Admissions of children looked after (Episodes)	No. of children who have ceased to be LAC (Episodes)	% of children ceased to be LAC due to permanence	Number of SGO's started (Legal Status)	% of children ceased to be LAC due to an SGO

IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-18	107.3	607	27	12	16.7%	4	8.3%
	Feb-18	107.8	610	18	15	28.6%	4	7.1%
	Mar-18	110.8	627	44	27	34.6%	16	15.4%
	Apr-18	109.4	619	16	18	22.2%	0	0.0%
	May-18	112.6	637	37	22	36.4%	5	13.6%
	Jun-18	112.9	643	19	13	30.8%	3	15.4%
	Jul-18	114.5	652	34	27	37.0%	4	18.5%
	Aug-18	114.8	654	22	20	20.0%	1	5.0%
	Sep-18	114.1	650	16	20	10.0%	10	10.0%
	Oct-18	114.7	653	26	27	33.3%	8	22.2%
	Nov-18	113.6	647	19	24	41.7%	6	8.3%
	Dec-18	111.3	634	18	31	16.1%	3	3.2%
	Jan-19	110.5	629	20	27	51.9%	4	18.5%
	Feb-19	113.3	645	28	9	55.6%	6	11.1%
Mar-19	112.9	643	16	16	31.3%	3	25.0%	
YTD	2018/19	-	-	271	254	31.5%	53	12.6%
ANNUAL TREND	2014/15	70.0	407	175	160	37.5%	-	-
	2015/16	76.6	432	208	192	40.1%	-	-
	2016/17	86.6	488	262	215	27.9%	-	9.8%
	2017/18	110.8	627	330	194	27.3%	67	8.2%
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE	87.8						12.3% (2017)
	BEST SN	62.0						22.0% (2017)
	NAT AVE	64.0						12.0% (2017)
	NAT TOP QTILE	-						17.0% (2017)

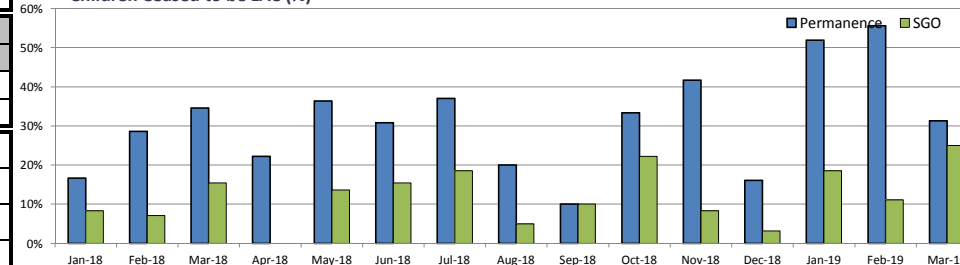
Rate of Looked After Children per 10K pop



Admissions and discharges from care



Children Ceased to be LAC (%)

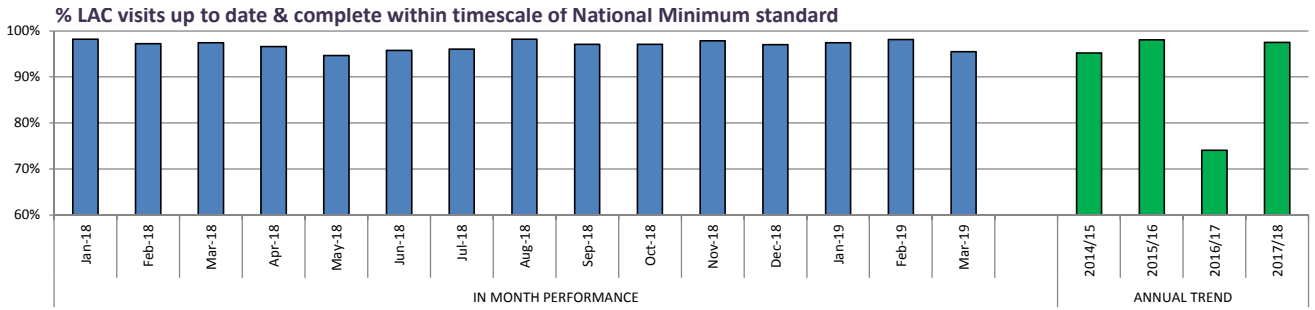
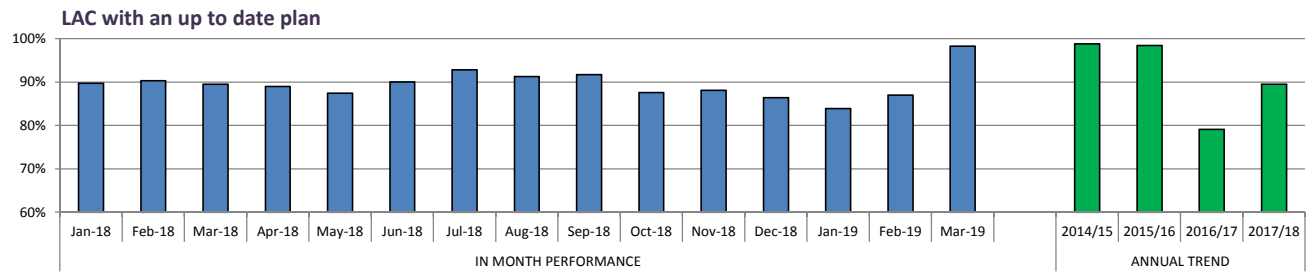
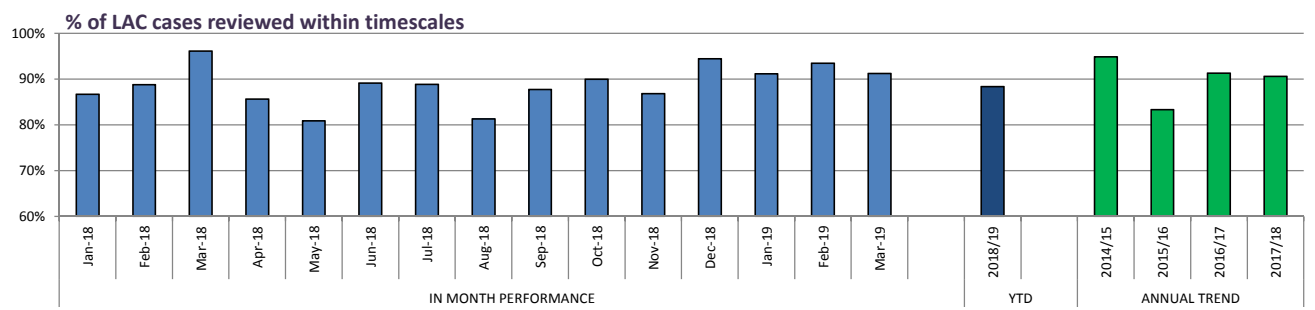


LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN - REVIEWS, PLANS & VISITS

DEFINITION The purpose of LAC review meeting is to consider the plan for the welfare of the looked after child and achieve Permanence for them within a timescale that meets their needs. The review is chaired by an Independent Reviewing Officer (IRO)
 The LA is also responsible for appointing a representative to visit the child wherever he or she is living to ensure that his/her welfare continues to be safeguarded and promoted. The minimum national timescales for visits is within one week of placement, then six weekly until the child has been in placement for a year and the 12 weekly thereafter. Rotherham have set a higher standard of within first week then four weekly thereafter until the child has been permanently matched to the placement.

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS
 The benefit of a thematic performance focus has resulted in Care Plans in timescale increasing to 98.3%, the highest of the year. In addition the completion of Statutory Visits has remained above 95% for all bar one month of the year and for the second consecutive year. This is all the more credible given that this performance was a significant cause for concern in 2016/17 when the statutory visit levels only achieved 74% and it is no coincidence that Ofsted reported that social workers knew their children well and were able to talk with enthusiasm and passion about their young people's hopes and fears and with real ambition for their futures.
 Despite the increased performance for Care Plans there is still work to do in getting social workers to translate this detailed knowledge of their children into similarly detailed Care Plans. Statutory Review performance has dipped slightly but this seems to be due to some delays in getting the completed Review paperwork onto the Liquid Logic system.

		6.8	6.14	6.16	
		% of LAC cases reviewed within timescales	LAC with an up to date plan	% LAC visits up to date & complete within timescale of National Minimum standard	
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-18	150 of 173 86.7%	89.7%	597 of 608 98.2%	
	Feb-18	119 of 134 88.8%	90.3%	590 of 607 97.2%	
	Mar-18	148 of 154 96.1%	89.5%	614 of 630 97.5%	
	Apr-18	119 of 139 85.6%	89.0%	602 of 623 96.6%	
	May-18	131 of 162 80.9%	87.4%	604 of 638 94.7%	
	Jun-18	131 of 147 89.1%	90.0%	615 of 642 95.8%	
	Jul-18	167 of 188 88.8%	92.8%	631 of 657 96.0%	
	Aug-18	100 of 123 81.3%	91.3%	646 of 658 98.2%	
	Sep-18	136 of 155 87.7%	91.7%	634 of 653 97.1%	
	Oct-18	144 of 160 90.0%	87.6%	634 of 653 97.1%	
	Nov-18	171 of 197 86.8%	88.1%	636 of 650 97.8%	
	Dec-18	120 of 127 94.5%	86.4%	615 of 634 97.0%	
	Jan-19	124 of 136 91.2%	83.9%	614 of 630 97.5%	
Feb-19	144 of 154 93.5%	87.0%	634 of 646 98.1%		
Mar-19	135 of 148 91.2%	98.3%	614 of 643 95.5%		
YTD	2018/19	1622 of 1836 88.3%	-	-	
ANNUAL TREND	2014/15		94.9%	98.8%	95.2%
	2015/16		83.3%	98.4%	98.1%
	2016/17	652 of 714	91.3%	79.1%	74.0%
	2017/18	1502 of 1658	90.6%	89.5%	97.5%



LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN - HEALTH

DEFINITION

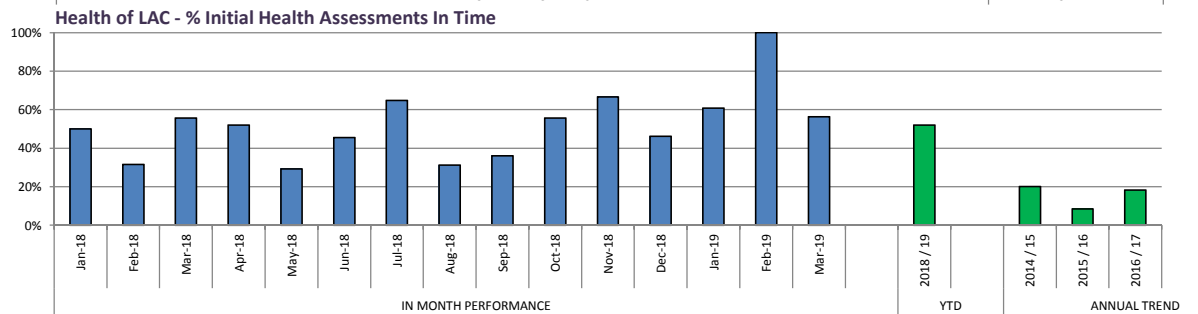
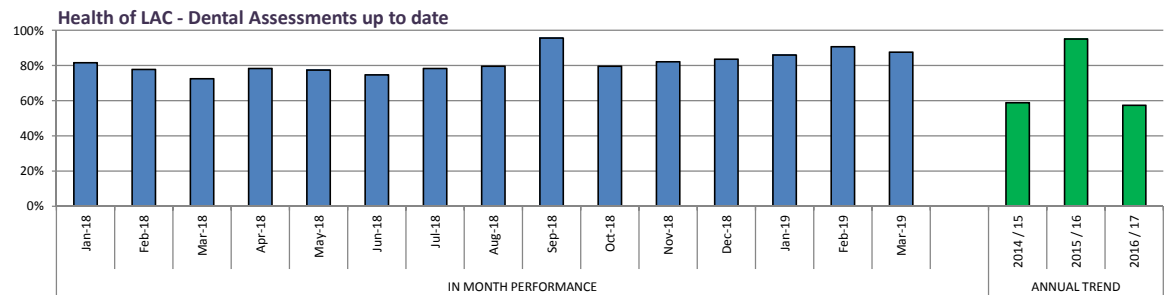
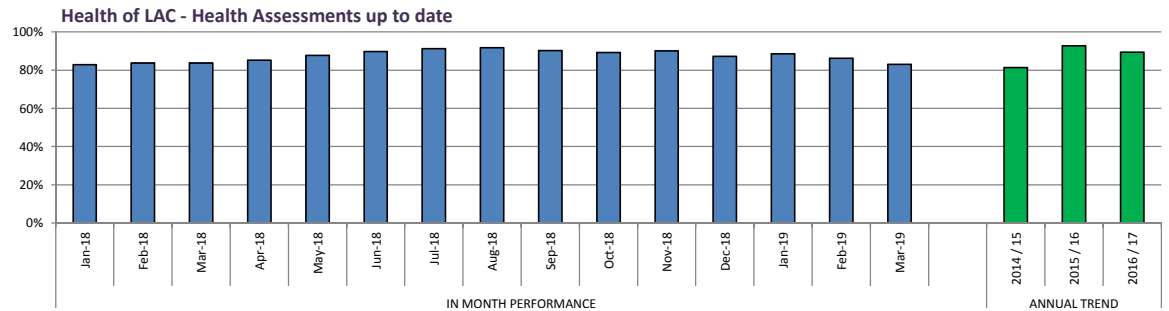
Local authorities have a duty to safeguard and to promote the welfare of the children they look after, therefore the local authority should make arrangements to ensure that every child who is looked after has his/her health needs fully assessed and a health plan clearly set out.

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

In March there were 7 Initial Health Assessments that took place outside of the 20 working day timescale due to a number reasons including; parents declining to give consent, children having exams on the appointment day, delayed notifications from social workers and timescale dates being miscalculated by social worker.

Further to the Performance Board meeting on the 3rd April it has been confirmed that CYPS and TRFT do in fact report performance in the same way i.e. of those IHAs completed in any particular month were they in timescale or not. There has been a gradual decline in the number of Review Health Assessments taking place and this is the area of focussed activity for within the LAC service.

		6.10	6.11	6.12	
		Health of LAC - Health Assessments up to date	Health of LAC - Dental Assessments up to date	Health of LAC - No. Initial Health Assessments In Time	Health of LAC - % Initial Health Assessments In Time
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-18	82.9%	81.5%	9 of 18	50.0%
	Feb-18	83.7%	77.8%	6 of 19	31.6%
	Mar-18	83.7%	72.5%	10 of 18	55.6%
	Apr-18	85.3%	78.2%	13 of 25	52.0%
	May-18	87.7%	77.3%	7 of 24	29.2%
	Jun-18	89.8%	74.7%	15 of 33	45.5%
	Jul-18	91.2%	78.2%	11 of 17	64.7%
	Aug-18	91.7%	79.5%	5 of 16	31.3%
	Sep-18	90.3%	95.6%	9 of 25	36.0%
	Oct-18	89.3%	79.6%	15 of 27	55.6%
	Nov-18	90.1%	82.1%	14 of 21	66.7%
	Dec-18	87.3%	83.6%	6 of 13	46.2%
	Jan-19	88.6%	86.0%	14 of 23	60.9%
Feb-19	86.3%	90.7%	14 of 14	100.0%	
Mar-19	83.0%	87.6%	9 of 16	56.3%	
YTD	2018 / 19	-	-	132 of 254	52.0%
ANNUAL TREND	2014 / 15	81.4%	58.8%		20.0%
	2015 / 16	92.8%	95.0%		8.4%
	2016 / 17	89.5%	57.3%		18.2%
	2017 / 18	83.7%	72.5%	132 of 237	55.7%
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE				
	BEST SN				
	NAT AVE				
	NAT TOP QTILE				



LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN - PERSONAL EDUCATION PLANS

DEFINITION

A personal education plan (PEP) is a school based meeting to plan for the education of a child in care. The government have made PEPs a statutory requirement for children in care to help track and promote their achievements. Prior to September 2015 PEPs were in place for compulsory school-age children only. PEPs are now in place for LAC aged two to their 18th birthday.

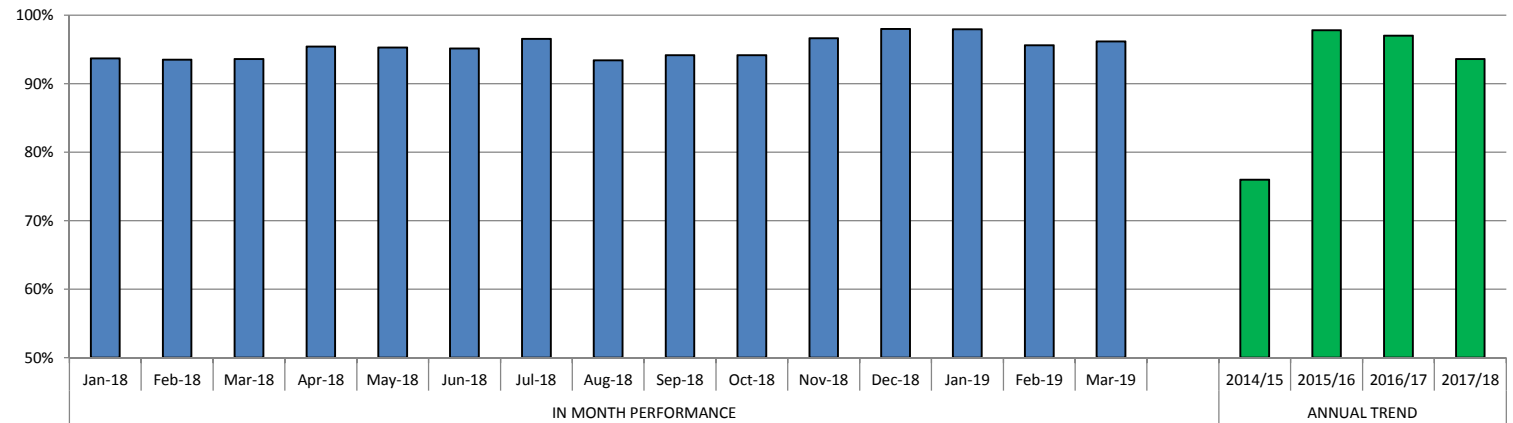
PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

Termly PEP performance reached 97.5% with only 11 PEPs not being reviewed over the course of the term, due in the main to admissions to care coming too late in the term to arrange the PEP meeting.

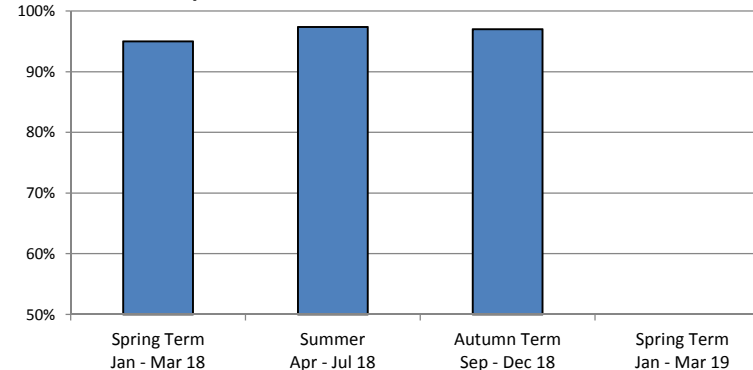
There have been some delays in expanding the performance report to include access to 25 hours education and exclusions but it is hoped that this will be completed within the next 2 months.

	6.13		6.14	
	% LAC with a Personal Education Plan		% LAC with up to date Personal Education Plan (Termly)	
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-18	446 of 476	93.7%	95.0% Spring Term 2018
	Feb-18	446 of 477	93.5%	
	Mar-18	454 of 485	93.6%	
	Apr-18	461 of 483	95.4%	97.4% Summer Term 2018
	May-18	467 of 490	95.3%	
	Jun-18	470 of 494	95.1%	
	Jul-18	476 of 493	96.6%	
	Aug-18	468 of 501	93.4%	97.5% Autumn Term 2019
	Sep-18	483 of 513	94.2%	
	Oct-18	484 of 514	94.2%	
	Nov-18	491 of 508	96.7%	
	Dec-18	485 of 495	98.0%	Spring Term 2019
	Jan-19	480 of 490	98.0%	
	Feb-19	478 of 500	95.6%	
	Mar-19	480 of 499	96.2%	
YTD	2018/19	-	-	-
ANNUAL TREND	2014/15		76.0%	-
	2015/16		97.8%	-
	2016/17		97.0%	98.9%
	2017/18		93.6%	97.4%

% LAC with a Personal Education Plan



% LAC with up to date PEP



CARE LEAVERS

DEFINITION A care leaver is defined as a person aged 25 or under, who has been looked after away from home by a local authority for at least 13 weeks since the age of 14; and who was looked after away from home by the local authority at school-leaving age or after that date. Suitable accommodation is defined as any that is not prison or bed and breakfast.

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

The number of Care Leavers supported by the Leaving Care Team currently stands at the highest ever (301), an increase of 45 from this time last year which is the equivalent of 2 Personal Adviser caseloads which have had to be assimilated within the team. As a result it is not a total surprise to note that some of the team's performance has dipped slightly with up to date Pathway Plans reducing from 85% to 79% since February 2019. Performance in respect of care leavers who are EET and in suitable accommodation has also dipped very slightly but is still well above the national average in both measures.

Updating pathway Plans will be an area of focussed attention over the course of April.

Data Note: Following data validation in December 18, it was found that a number of cases were not being counted correctly within the Leaving Care cohort. This has now been rectified in Liquid Logic which has caused the cohort number to increase.

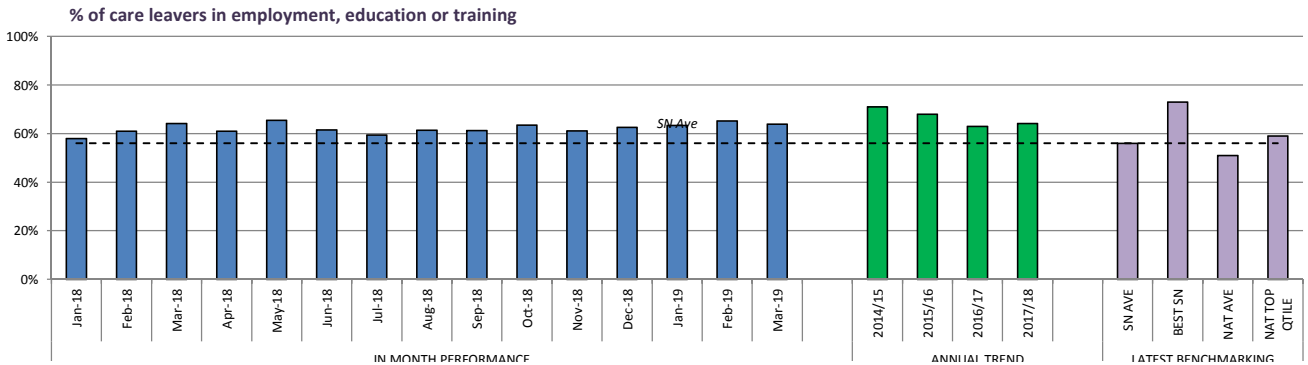
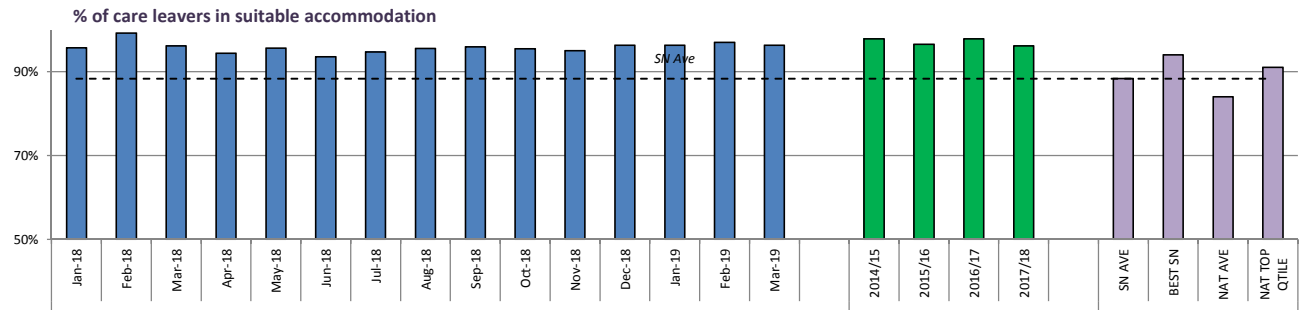
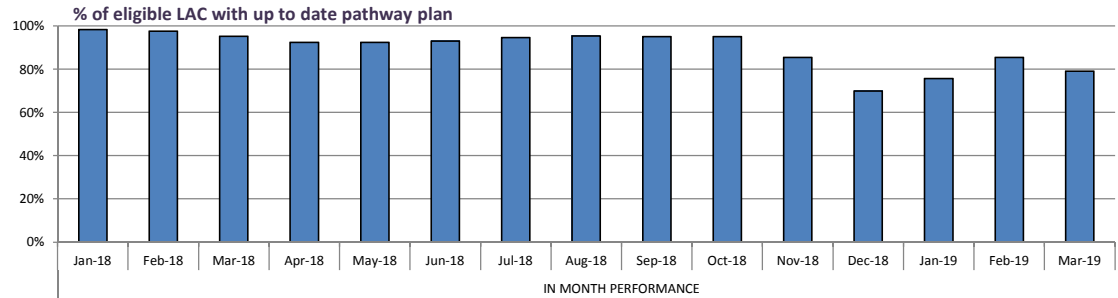
	7.1	7.2	7.3	7.4	7.5
	Number of care leavers	% of eligible Care Leavers with a pathway plan	% of eligible Care Leavers with up to date pathway plan	% of care leavers in suitable accommodation	% of care leavers in employment, education or training

IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-18	238	94.5%	98.3%	95.6%	57.9%
	Feb-18	246	93.9%	97.5%	99.2%	60.9%
	Mar-18	256	93.9%	95.2%	96.1%	64.1%
	Apr-18	267	93.2%	92.4%	94.4%	61.0%
	May-18	249	93.2%	92.4%	95.6%	65.5%
	Jun-18	247	93.4%	93.0%	93.5%	61.5%
	Jul-18	244	95.0%	94.6%	94.7%	59.4%
	Aug-18	243	95.8%	95.4%	95.5%	61.3%
	Sep-18	245	95.4%	95.0%	95.9%	61.2%
	Oct-18	241	95.4%	95.0%	95.4%	63.5%
	Nov-18	239	94.9%	85.5%	95.0%	61.1%
	Dec-18	294	83.4%	69.9%	96.3%	62.6%
	Jan-19	300	84.1%	75.7%	96.3%	63.3%
	Feb-19	299	86.1%	85.5%	97.0%	65.2%
	Mar-19	301	84.5%	79.1%	96.3%	63.8%

YTD	2018/19	-	-	-	-	-
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ANNUAL TREND	2014/15	183	-	-	97.8%	71.0%
	2015/16	197	69.8%	-	96.5%	68.0%
	2016/17	223	99.3%	-	97.8%	62.9%
	2017/18	256	93.9%	70.3%	96.1%	64.1%

LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE				88.3%	56.0%
	BEST SN				94.0%	73.0%
	NAT AVE				84.0%	51.0%
	NAT TOP QTILE				91.0%	59.0%



LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN - PLACEMENTS

DEFINITION

A LAC placement is where a child has become the responsibility of the local authority (LAC) and is placed with foster carers, in residential homes or with parents or other relatives.

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

Long-term placement stability has remained consistent despite the increasing number of LAC who are discharged from care via an SGO as as the number of children in family based settings. More re-assuring the number of children experiencing 3 or more placement moves has reduced by 8 (13.9% to 12.7%). However, Rotherham remains below the statistical neighbour average in both measures, although the on-going drive for permanence is likely to continue to impact on long-term placement stability figures.

The number of children placed in a commissioned placement has increased by 5 (51.3% to 52.3%) but it is anticipated that this will reduce with the full implementation of the House Project in which 10 young people have step down plans in place.

There has been a significant increase in Missing from Care episodes for LAC, rising from 28 episodes last month to 44 in March, with the numbers of young people involved rising from 13 to 18. However, 25 of these episodes involved only 2 young people and for one of those in 9 of the 13 episodes he was back in placement before 11.30pm. It would therefore appear that there is still significant over-reporting of missing episodes and this will be addressed over the coming weeks.

	8.1		8.2		8.3		8.4		8.5	
	Long term LAC placements stable for at least 2 years		LAC who have had 3 or more placements - rolling 12 mth		% of LAC in a family Based setting (includes living with parents)		% of LAC placed with parents or other with parental responsibility (P1)		LAC in a Commissioned Placement (Fostering & Residential)	

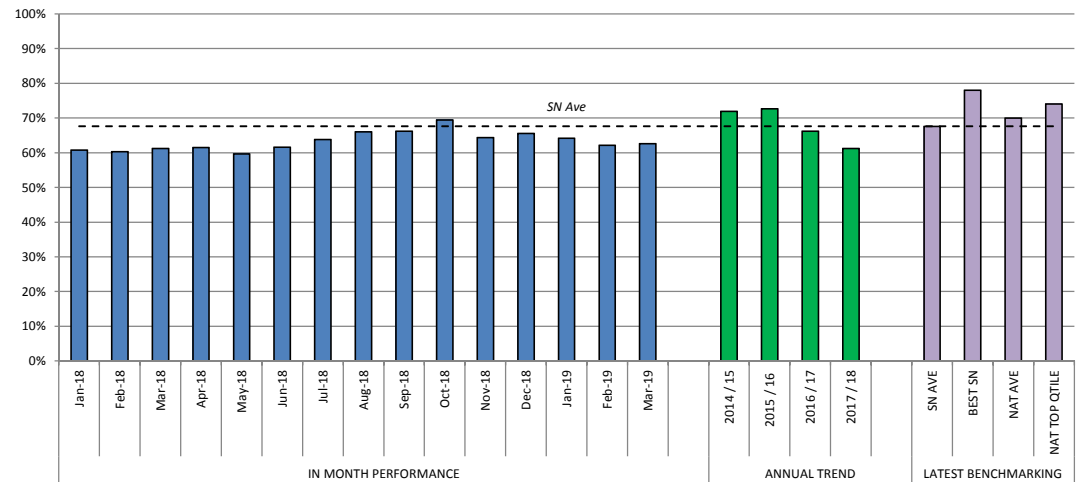
IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-18	93 of 153	60.8%	73 of 600	12.2%	82.4%	5.5%	293 of 607	48.3%
	Feb-18	91 of 151	60.3%	81 of 605	13.4%	81.5%	5.0%	302 of 610	49.5%
	Mar-18	90 of 147	61.2%	83 of 621	13.4%	81.0%	4.3%	315 of 627	50.2%
	Apr-18	91 of 148	61.5%	89 of 617	14.4%	81.1%	4.7%	317 of 619	51.2%
	May-18	90 of 151	59.6%	94 of 635	14.8%	80.8%	5.0%	319 of 637	50.1%
	Jun-18	93 of 151	61.6%	88 of 640	13.8%	81.0%	5.0%	338 of 643	52.6%
	Jul-18	95 of 149	63.8%	82 of 649	12.6%	82.2%	5.1%	345 of 652	52.9%
	Aug-18	99 of 150	66.0%	79 of 652	12.1%	82.9%	6.0%	340 of 654	52.0%
	Sep-18	98 of 148	66.2%	81 of 648	12.5%	82.3%	5.7%	342 of 650	52.6%
	Oct-18	100 of 144	69.4%	80 of 650	12.3%	82.8%	6.0%	342 of 653	52.4%
	Nov-18	92 of 143	64.3%	87 of 644	13.5%	83.3%	6.6%	331 of 647	51.2%
	Dec-18	97 of 148	65.5%	81 of 631	12.8%	83.8%	6.5%	334 of 634	52.7%
	Jan-19	93 of 145	64.1%	91 of 625	14.6%	82.4%	7.5%	339 of 629	53.9%
	Feb-19	92 of 148	62.2%	89 of 641	13.9%	82.8%	7.9%	331 of 645	51.3%
Mar-19	92 of 147	62.6%	81 of 639	12.7%	82.3%	6.5%	336 of 643	52.3%	

YTD	2018 / 19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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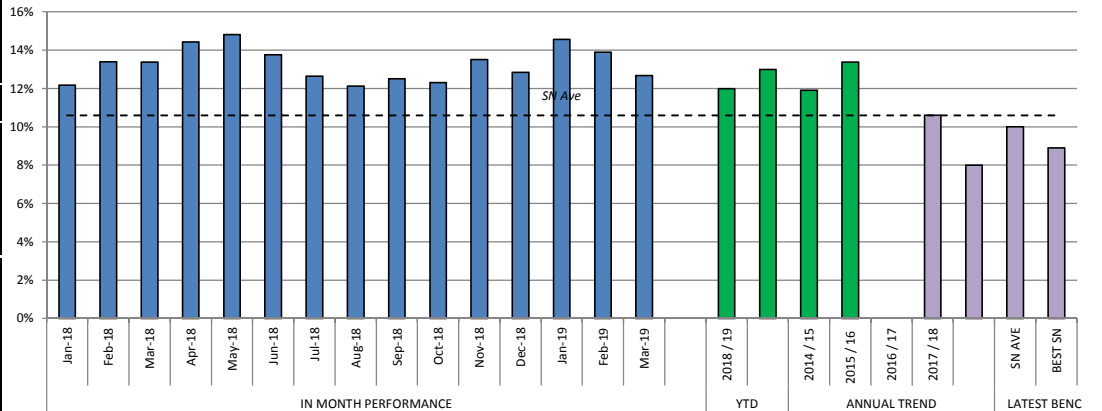
ANNUAL TREND	2014 / 15	110 of 153	71.9%	49 of 409	12.0%	-	-	-	-
	2015 / 16	109 of 150	72.7%	56 of 431	13.0%	-	-	188 of 431	43.6%
	2016 / 17	96 of 145	66.2%	58 of 488	11.9%	81.1%	5.3%	211 of 488	43.2%
	2017 / 18	90 of 147	61.2%	83 of 621	13.4%	81.0%	4.3%	315 of 624	50.5%

LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE	67.6%	10.6%						
	BEST SN	78.0%	8.0%						
	NAT AVE	70.0%	10.0%						
	NAT TOP QTILE	74.0%	8.9%						

% long term LAC placements stable for at least 2 years



% LAC who have had 3 or more placements - rolling 12 months



FOSTERING

DEFINITION

A foster care family provide the best form of care for most Looked after children. Rotherham would like most of its children to be looked after by its own carers so that they remain part of their families and community .

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

Performance data held by the Fostering Team actually reports 17 approvals providing 24 new placements with a recording issue explaining the difference from that contained in this report. However, this is still a net loss given there were 21 de-registrations/resignations over the same period.

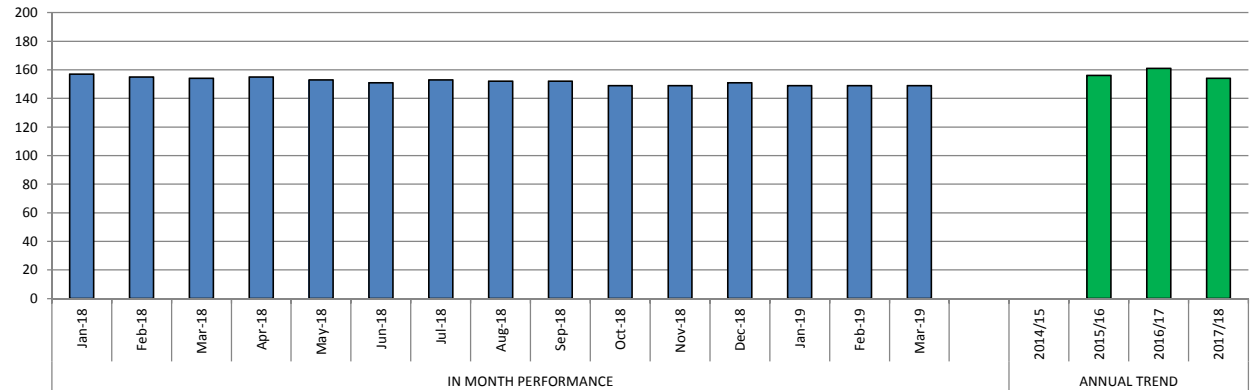
There are 7 active assessments currently on-going with 2 more on hold, and 3 IFA carers considering a potential move to RMBC. Overall there are 14 approvals already projected for 2019/20 and the launch event of the Foster Carer Diversity Scheme attracted over 80 attendees and, thus far, 9 expressions of interest from members of the local Muslim community. As a result the service is in a substantially stronger position in terms of recruitment in the coming year.

Work will commence in the next few months to move away from keeping additional recording systems and the accuracy of the data in Liquid Logic will improve as a result.

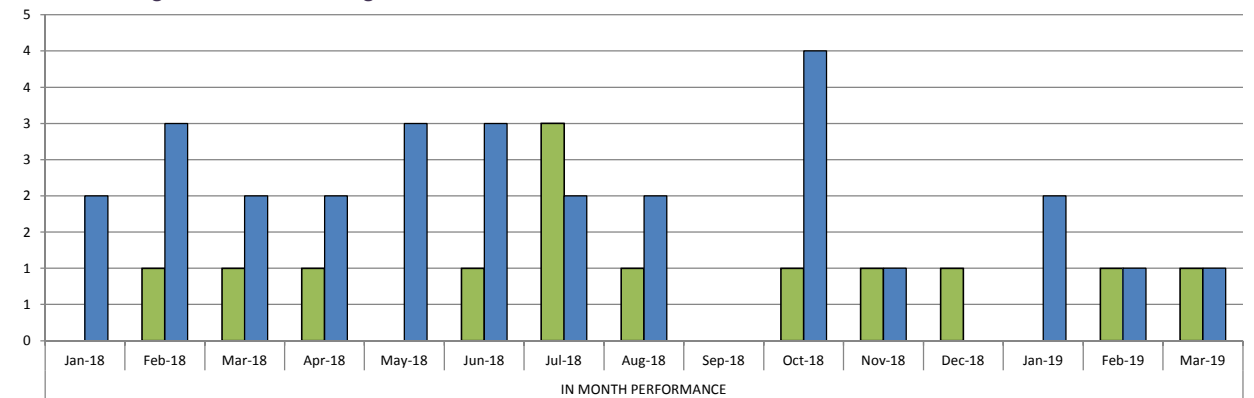
9.1	9.2	9.3	9.4	9.5
Number of LAC in a Fostering Placement (excludes relative/friend)	% of total LAC in a Fostering Placement (excludes relative/friend)	Number of Foster Carers (Households)	Number of Foster Carers Recruited (Households)	Number of Foster Carers De-registered (Households)

IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-18	398	65.6%	157	0	2	152.0
	Feb-18	399	65.4%	155	1	3	151.0
	Mar-18	414	66.0%	154	1	2	152.0
	Apr-18	409	66.1%	155	1	2	152.0
	May-18	418	65.6%	153	0	3	152.0
	Jun-18	427	66.4%	151	1	3	149.0
	Jul-18	443	67.9%	153	3	2	150.0
	Aug-18	439	67.1%	152	1	2	149.0
	Sep-18	437	67.2%	152	0	0	149.0
	Oct-18	443	67.8%	149	1	4	149.0
	Nov-18	441	68.2%	149	1	1	149.0
	Dec-18	443	69.9%	151	1	0	149.0
	Jan-19	428	68.0%	149	0	2	149.0
Feb-19	436	67.6%	149	1	1	149.0	
Mar-19	427	66.4%	149	1	1	149.0	
YTD	2018/19	-	-	-	11	21	
ANNUAL TREND	2014/15	-	-	-	-	-	
	2015/16	-	-	156	13	16	
	2016/17	353	72.3%	161	32	22	
	2017/18	414	66.0%	154	16	25	

Number of Foster Carers



Fostering Recruitment & De-registrations



ADOPTIONS

DEFINITION

Following a child becoming a LAC, it may be deemed suitable for a child to become adopted which is a legal process of becoming a non-biological parent. The date it is agreed that it is in the best interests of the child that they should be placed for adoption is known as their 'SHOBPA'. Following this a family finding process is undertaken to find a suitable match for the child based on the child's needs, they will then be matched with an adopter(s) followed by placement with their adopter(s). This adoption placement is monitored for a minimum of 10 weeks and assessed as stable and secure before the final adoption order is granted by court decision and the adoption order is made .
Targets for measures A1 and A2 are set centrally by government office.

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

A total of 32 children were adopted over the course of 2018/19 which is an improvement on the 27 achieved last year. Performance could have been even more positive but for 3 late appeals against the Adoption Orders being granted, submitted by birth-parents. Given this it meant that no adoptions were finalised in March the timeliness in the A1 and A2 scorecard has not changed at all since last month and Rotherham remains significantly better than the national average and in the top quartile for the A1 measure.

Only 11 of the 32 adoptions was completed within 12 months of the SHOBPA decision but this is primarily because RMBC does not implement time limited searches but will continue to seek adoptive placements to secure the best form of permanence for our children and 72% (23 children) of the children adopted in 2018/19 were in the 'hard to place' categories.

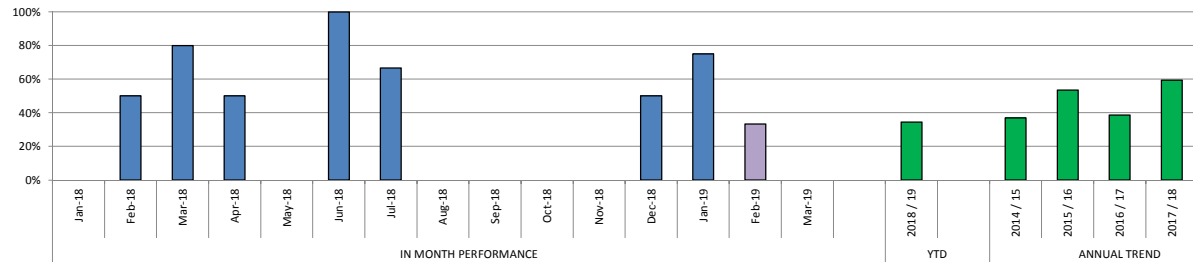
In addition there are 36 children currently placed in their adoptive placement and 22 adopters were approved over the course of the year with 14 more at stage 1 and 3 in stage 2 - this is a significant improvement on the 14 adopters approved in 2017/18.

Data Note: Taken from manual tracker. Data requires inputting into LCS

	10.1	10.2	10.3	10.4	10.5
Number of adoptions		Number of adoptions completed within 12 months of SHOBPA	% adoptions completed within 12 months of SHOBPA	Av. No. days between a child becoming LAC & having a adoption placement (A1) (ytd. ave)	Av. No. days between placement order & being matched with adoptive family (A2) (ytd. ave)

	IN MONTH PERFORMANCE					
	Jan-18	Feb-18	Mar-18	Apr-18	May-18	
Jan-18	0	0	-	315.0	137.0	
Feb-18	2	1	50.0%	311.9	134.9	
Mar-18	5	4	80.0%	325.3	124.8	
Apr-18	2	1	50.0%	370.0	146.5	
May-18	3	0	0.0%	469.0	260.2	
Jun-18	2	2	100.0%	369.0	201.9	
Jul-18	3	2	66.7%	339.4	163.8	
Aug-18	2	0	0.0%	353.9	196.6	
Sep-18	0	0	-	353.9	196.6	
Oct-18	2	0	0.0%	351.4	185.7	
Nov-18	7	0	0.0%	409.7	235.1	
Dec-18	4	2	50.0%	380.2	214.6	
Jan-19	4	3	75.0%	365.5	197.8	
Feb-19	3	1	33.3%	385.3	212.5	
Mar-19	0	0	-	386.9	212.4	
YTD	2018 / 19	32	11	34.4%	-	
ANNUAL TREND	2014 / 15	-	-	37.0%	393.0	169.0
	2015 / 16	43	23	53.5%	296.0	136.0
	2016 / 17	31	12	38.7%	404.0	232.9
	2017 / 18	27	16	59.3%	325.3	124.8
LATEST BENCHMARKING	SN AVE				479.7	205.6
	BEST SN				362.0	89.0
	NAT AVE				520.0	220.0
	NAT TOP QTILE				455.0	171.8

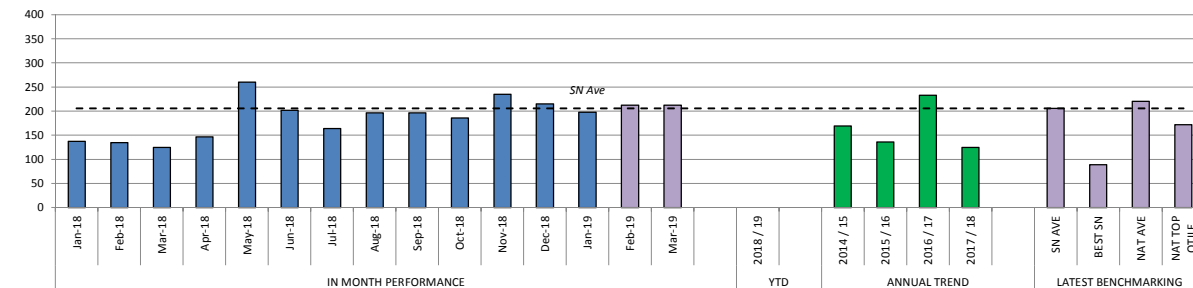
% adoptions completed within 12 months of SHOBPA



Av. No. days between a child becoming LAC & having a adoption placement (A1) - Rolling Year (low is good)



Av. No. days between placement order & being matched with adoptive family (A2) - Rolling Year (low is good)



*Annual Trend relates to current reporting year April to Mar - not rolling year

**adoptions have a 28 day appeal period so any children adopted in the last 28 days are still subject to appeal

CASELOADS

DEFINITION

Caseload figures relate to the number of children the social worker is currently the lead key worker. Fieldwork teams relate to frontline social care services including the four Duty Teams, none Long Term CIN Teams, two LAC teams and the CSE Team. All averages are calculated on a full time equivalency basis, based on the number of hours the worker is contracted to work.

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

LAC average caseloads have remained more or less the same as last month. Ofsted recognised that social worker workloads are also high and are aggravated by the continuing demands of supervising contact and out of authority visits. Given that the workload has increased over the year the general sustaining of performance is all the more credible. Whilst the caseloads within the Court and Permanence Teams are lower they have greater demands placed on them in terms of court reports and assessments and increased demands in completing the adoption processes.

The average caseload in the duty service has declined slightly to 20.2. This is largely due to a number of opportunities arising for staff to move to other parts of the service and this being supported, whilst not back filling posts. The duty service is also looking to more effective ways of working, and this is allowing the service to manage with a reduced number of staff, and a slight increase of caseload, which at present, is manageable. This is feeding into the social care pathway work that is being undertaken.

The average caseload in locality remains as it did last month at 19.6 children – this figure is higher than national average and will need to be kept under close and regular review. The average caseload in the disabled children service has increased to 21.6 – the service is currently being restructured and some work will need to move to the early help service which should bring the average allocation in line with the wider locality service in April / May's data.

Data Note: Please note that for February 19 onwards an adjustment has been made to the Insight reports for when calculating average caseloads. The report now makes an adjustment on FTE for Advanced Practitioners and Newly Qualified Social Workers as follows: AP's: 0.4 of their contracted FTE and NQSW's: 0.6 of their contracted FTE. This may have caused some noticeable increases in average caseloads from February 19 onwards.

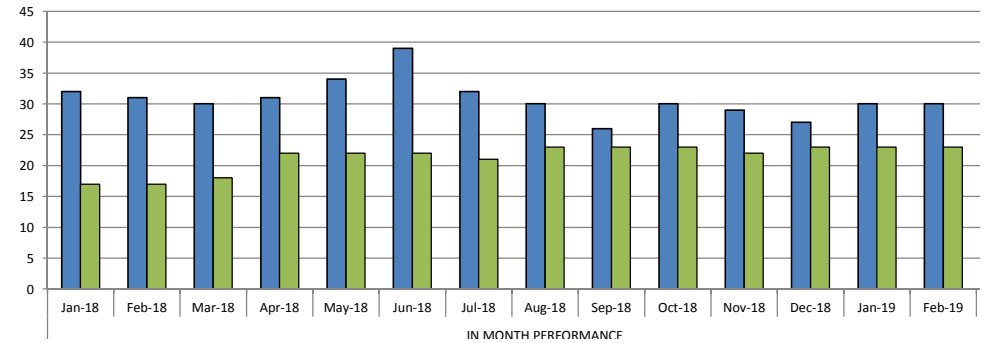
	11.1	11.2	11.3	11.4		11.5	11.6	11.7	11.8
	% of agency staff in social care (Council Plan Indicator)	Maximum caseload of social workers in key Safeguarding	Maximum caseload of social workers in LAC Teams	Av. no. cases in LAC Teams		Av. no. cases in Duty Teams	Av. no. cases in Locality Teams (CiN)	Av. no. cases in Children's Disability Team	Av. no. cases in Complex Abuse Team
				Teams 1-3	Teams 4 & 5				

IN MONTH PERFORMANCE	Jan-18	New Definition 2018/19	32	17	11.6	9.7	20.7	17.5	11.4	14.2
	Feb-18		31	17	12.9	10.7	20.1	18.9	13.5	11.2
	Mar-18		30	18	12.6	11.8	17.9	18.7	13.4	16.6
	Apr-18	17.3% (56)	31	22	12.8	14.4	18.9	18.9	14.8	15.8
	May-18	16.4% (52)	34	22	12.5	12.8	18.9	18.3	16.4	14.8
	Jun-18	14.6% (46)	39	22	12.9	13.5	20.8	18.6	14.9	12.5
	Jul-18	14.5% (46.1)	32	21	13.5	15.0	13.5	18.9	17.0	11.5
	Aug-18	12.1% (37)	30	23	13.8	14.1	10.6	18.8	15.4	2.0
	Sep-18	10.7% (31.1)	26	23	15.0	14.3	11.3	18.7	15.0	Team has disbanded - On-going cases have been absorbed into the remaining 5 Duty Teams
	Oct-18	8.9% (26.1)	30	23	14.6	13.8	13.9	17.4	14.8	
	Nov-18	8.1% (24.5)	29	22	15.5	14.4	15.5	17.1	13.1	
	Dec-18	7.2% (21.5)	27	23	15.5	14.4	17.2	16.2	12.7	
	Jan-19	7.1% (21)	30	23	16.0	15.0	17.7	16.3	13.3	
	Feb-19	5.9% (17)	30	23	19.2	16.5	20.8	19.6	16.3	
	Mar-19	4.9% (14)	33	23	19.4	15.3	20.2	19.6	21.6	

YTD	2018/19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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ANNUAL TREND	2014/15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	2015/16	-	29	19	14.1	15.8	18.0	19.1	-
	2016/17	-	30	17	11.6	13.3	17.7	15.4	-
	2017 / 18	-	30	18	12.6	11.8	17.9	18.7	13.4

Maximum caseload of social workers



Average number of cases per team

