

## **Appendix 5**

### **CCG Duties in relation to SEND**

The SEND code has been broken down into five key areas where actions is required these are defined as; Information and advice, Identifying Joint Outcomes for Children and Young People (C&YP), Working together to deliver Outcomes for (C&YP), Developing the Local Offer and Assessing and developing Education Health and Care Plans.

The CCG has responsibilities within each of these domains below is a summary of these:

#### Information and Advice

1. CCGs must ensure that they publicise the availability of information and advice and opportunities to participate in strategic decision making
2. CCGs must ensure that children, young people and parents are provided with information, advice and support to enable them to make decisions about their care

#### Identifying Joint Outcomes for C&YP

3. CCGs must make joint commissioning arrangements for education, health and care provision for children and young people with SEN or disabilities
4. CCGs must promote the integration of services
5. CCGs must develop effective ways of harnessing the views of their local communities so commissioning decisions are shaped by users experiences
6. CCGs have a statutory duty to consider the extent to which children and young people's needs could be met more effectively through integrating services and aligning or pooling budgets in order to offer greater value for money, improve outcomes and/or better integrate services for children and young people with SEN or disabilities

#### Working together to deliver outcomes for CYP

7. CCGs must give the childs parents opportunity to discuss their opinion before informing the local authority
8. Local authorities and clinical commissioning groups (CCGs) must make joint commissioning arrangements for education, health and care provision for children and young people with SEN or disabilities

#### Developing the Local Offer

9. CCG are required to co-operate with the local authority in relation to the local offer.
10. CCGs must work together with local authority to ensure information is available through the Local Offer.

11. CCGs must ensure that they publicise the availability of information and advice and opportunities to participate in strategic decision making.
12. The CCG must make sure that the Local Offer is accessible for people with different abilities

#### Assessing and developing education Health and Care Plans

13. CCGs must place children, young people and families at the centre of their planning, and work with them to secure better outcomes
14. *CCGs must co-operate with the local authority in supporting the transition to adult services*
15. CCGs must determine which services it will commission to ensure they meet the reasonable health needs of children and young people with SEN or disabilities for whom it is responsible. These services should be described within the Local Offer.
16. CCGs must ensure that commissioned services are mobilised to participate in the development of EHC plans
17. CCGs are responsible for decisions in relation to health
18. CCGS can delegate key decisions to Designated Medical Officers (DMO) or designated Clinical Officers (DCO's)- this can include agreeing the health services in an EHC plan.