

# **Taking a System Wide Approach to Health and Early Intervention for Children in Medway**

**Public Health**

# Child Health Partnership Commissioning

Partnership commissioning is a collaborative approach between NHS organisations and local authorities, designed to deliver integrated health and care services for the local population; in this case for the children of Medway and their families.

This partnership model seeks to enhance service delivery, reduce fragmentation, and ensure that support is tailored to the unique needs of our Medway population.

The Medway Child Health Commissioning Teams prioritise early intervention, aiming to address health needs at the earliest possible stage in a child's journey. This proactive approach supports better outcomes and promotes long-term wellbeing.

# Benefits of Partnership Commissioning

- Improved outcomes
  - Services are more coordinated, reducing duplication and gaps. Holistic care that considers physical, mental, and social needs of Medway children and families.
- Better use of resources
  - Joint planning can reduce inefficiencies and make better use of budgets. Shared data and intelligence can improve targeting and prioritisation.
- Stronger strategic alignment
  - Aligns priorities across NHS, local authorities, and voluntary sectors. Supports place-based approaches and population health management.
- Enhanced innovation and flexibility
  - Encourages co-design with Medway communities as well as with wider partners. Can lead to more creative commissioning models (e.g. pooled budgets, alliance contracting)

# Partnership Commissioning Partners







# Homestart Medway



# A Medway School Perspective



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