



# Inclusion Support and Alternative Provision Panel Terms of Reference - Primary

Local authorities are responsible for arranging suitable education for permanently excluded pupils, and for other pupils who – because of illness or other reasons – would not receive suitable education without such arrangements being made. The purpose of the Secondary Inclusion Support and Alternative Provision Panel is to ensure that pupils who are either at risk of permanent exclusion or are at risk of not receiving a suitable education for other reasons, are able to access the support that they need and an appropriate educational setting.

#### Referrals:

There are three types of referrals into the panel, as detailed in the table below:

	Preventative	Extraordinary fair access	Medical
Referrer	School - SLT with responsibility for Inclusion, education provision and funding.  School SENDCo would also need to attend if the YP has SEND needs.  Social worker or VS officer who	School admissions officer EHE officer	School – SLT with responsibility for Inclusion, education provision and funding.  School SENDCo would also need to attend.  Educational Psychologist
	have delegated responsibility.		Social worker or VS officer who have delegated responsibility.
Prior to referral	Despite reasonable adjustments and support implemented by school, YP is at risk of permanent exclusion. A number of suspensions have been implemented followed by	Fair Access Panel has identified that allocation of mainstream school place may not be appropriate.  A YP has been Elective Home	Emotionally Based School Non- Attendance Pathway has been followed and the resources implemented.  Senior medical practitioner has
	supported reintegration and an EPM.  School is able to clearly	Education for a period of time and Fair Access Panel have decided mainstream may not be immediately suitable.	identified medical needs that states the YP is unable to attend mainstream school and requires a part time provision.
	demonstrate the graduated response and the targeted provision that has been put in place for the YP.		MESP meeting has been held and School/Home and Hospital is represented.
	The Inclusion Pathway to ISAPP has been followed and the necessary assessments completed/multi-agency partners involved.		
Evidence	A minimum expectation of evidence consisting of	Evidence from admissions/ FAP. A minimum expectation of evidence consisting of	Hospital discharge paperwork or letter from a Senior Medical Practitioner at Consultant level
	Referral form fully completed with all relevant information.	<ul> <li>Referral form fully completed by admissions/EHE with any relevant information.</li> </ul>	detailing the condition and why the YP cannot attend fulltime or mainstream.
	Costed provision map – if the YP is at SEN support demonstrating how the		Completion of appropriate assessments and reviews

Possible

Recommendations/signpost to further in-school interventions/

Re-referral to panel with further

approaches/services.

information.

notional spending has been Full and detailed information (APDR) in EBSNA Pathway, allocated for specific targeted from the previous school/s specifying support needs and support for the YP. including if possible: timescales. (if the need is an emotional based non-• Costed provision map - if the YP is at SEN support attendance) • APDR cycles. If the YP is demonstrating with behaviour demonstrating how the that is deemed to be at risk of notional spending has been Minutes/report from the MESP PEX then APDR cycles will be allocated for specific targeted meeting. necessary to show the support for the YP. Report/information from support that has been allocated. CAMHS/Base25. • APDR cycles. If the YP is demonstrating with behaviour Further evidence that would be that is deemed to be at risk of useful and should be included if PEX then APDR cycles will be relevant: necessary to show the support that has been Evidence of SC support allocated. through Early Help Assessment, CIN or CP If an OOC YP information can be reports. provided from the LA Inclusion Team/SEND/VS/. An EP report/or professional's advice Evidence of referrals to Further evidence that would be deemed useful: -Inclusion and Outreach and reports if relevant. Evidence of SC support If the YP is displaying offending through Early Help behaviour, there would need to Assessment, CIN or CP be an Exploitation Screening reports. Tool, and details of previous An EP report/ professional's advice incidents. Evidence of referrals to Inclusion and Outreach and reports if relevant. Enhanced support package Agreed plan of: Placement in the Home and outcomes (outreach, mentoring, targeted hospital Nightingale Unit. interventions) Allocation to PRU PRU placement for SEMH needs Managed move (HTP) (12 week/ part-funded) assessment/ Alternative suggested. It may be facilitated if Provision intervention a HT on panel is willing to Commissioned bespoke support placement/interim specialist consider. package in AP provision 12-week Preventative PRU / Recommendations/signpost to · Rereferral back to FAP for alternative Provision placement allocation to mainstream with further in-school interventions/ (part-funded) approaches/services. identified additional support for transition. 12 week Commissioned bespoke support package. • If OOC – agree to continue commissioning current A referral to the YOT Back on provision. Track programme.

The Panel will meet every two weeks during term-time. All schools will be asked to send a representative to contribute to the Panel. Schools will only be able to refer to the Panel where the school has committed to

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sending representation on the Panel. The schedule for attendance from school will be completed termly and schools can send representation from SLT.

#### Review:

Decisions of the Panel will be time-bound. Relevant agencies will be expected to monitor progress against agreed timescales. Where agreed actions are not implemented within agreed timescale, agencies will escalate to the Panel for further action.

## Panel composition:

- Two school SLT representation
- Inclusion Service (Chair)
- PRU (SLT)
- Outreach
- SENSTART
- School admissions
- Educational Psychologist
- Service Manager children's social care
- Youth Offending Manager
- Police
- Virtual School (SIA)

## **Quoracy:**

Two school representatives will be invited to each panel meeting. A minimum of one school representation and one Local Authority Officer are required for the Panel to be quorate.

NB. In the event of an exceptional circumstance and no school representation is able to attend, the Chair may decide the panel can go ahead. Decisions would be followed up and agreed with school representation subsequent to the panel.

# **Preventative Part-funded placements:**

Where the panel recommend an alternative provision placement is required, the local authority will be responsible for funding the first 6 weeks and the home school will fund the final 6 weeks of a placement. The LA will arrange to invoice the home school for 50% of the 12-week placement fee after the first 6 weeks of a placement have passed.

During placements, there is an expectation for ongoing communication between the PRU /AP and school regarding the young person's progress. Review meetings will be set up at 5 weeks and 10 weeks following the young person's placement start date. If a school representative does not attend these review meetings, the placement will be terminated, and the young person will return to school.

The expectation is that the YP's placement will cease in AP after 12 weeks and the YP will return to the substantive school. <u>If a PRU placement continues beyond the agreed period, the school will become responsible for funding from that point.</u>

Following the panel decisions, and agreement with all parties, a contract will be circulated. This contract will detail the timescales, level of support and financial responsibility for all parties. The <u>placement in AP will not commence until this contract is signed by all parties involved</u> (usually the substantive school, an AP provision and the LA).

#### Review of preventative placements:

The Head Teacher (or other senior representative) of the referring school will convene a meeting with the PRU/AP to review any joint-funded placements agreed at the Panel, and to agree next steps, a minimum of two weeks prior to the planned end of the placement. The PRU/AP will provide a report on the pupil's progress, detailing interventions, and further recommendations, for the review meeting.

If further support is identified at the 10-week review, it is the substantive school's responsibility to rerefer to ISAPP for consideration at Panel before the end of the 12-week PRU/AP placement. However, unless there are exceptional circumstances it will be the expectation that if AP continues to be needed then the school will directly commission the place. If no further support is required, the PRU/AP placement will end on the

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agreed date and the pupil will return to school. In these cases, the PRU/AP will provide a report to school and Panel as above.

#### **Review of Medical Placements**

If the YP is placed at the Nightingale Home and Hospital unit, then the reviews will be completed in line with the half termly LA schedule of LA placements. If dual registered, then schools will need to continue monitoring and assessment of the placement.

**Deadline for referrals:** Referrals must be submitted by 12pm on the Wednesday preceding the Panel. Schools will be invited to present referrals at a specified time by 12pm on the Friday preceding the panel.

**Mainstream School Readiness Referrals:** As of September 2022, all referrals for children and young people deemed mainstream ready will be presented at Fair Access Panel. The PRU /AP settings will ensure completion of the Readiness to Reintegrate Journey report and arrange to share this with the LA Inclusion Manager. The LA Inclusion Service will also provide a supplementary report in support of referrals, confirming interventions delivered. The PRU /AP centre manager along with the LA Inclusion Service/Team Manager will present referrals at FAP.

NB: Referrals for pupils in Year 11 after the Autumn term will not be considered at FAP.