

## **Information about Teams**

As this is a new service in South Gloucestershire. The Primary Mental Health Specialist (PMHS) will be embedded into one of the following teams:

### **Access and Response Team (ART):**

***Base: Badminton Road, Yate Bristol, BS37 5AF***

The service works at the front door of Children's Social Care and covers all of South Gloucestershire:

- The Access team take and assess referrals and contacts and decide whether there should be a formal assessment, No Further Action (NFA) or whether Early help services (either from the LA or partner agencies) are best placed to support the team.
- In addition there are 4/5 Response Teams who undertake statutory assessments where the Access assessment has indicated this is required to safeguard the young person.

### ***Who is in the team?***

There is one Service Manager and each team has a team manager and 4 or 5 staff; mainly qualified SW's. Caseloads vary but are currently about 15-20

### ***What does the team offer?***

They undertake assessments which involve seeing young people alone and their parents/carers. Many of the families they support will be experiencing parental conflict/ domestic abuse and would benefit from family interventions. The aim of the service is (like all of our teams) to keep young people safe and to support them to remain with their family/support networks where possible and where it is safe to do so.

## **Locality Teams**

3 posts bases in:

***North – Patchway Hub, Rodway Road, Patchway BS34 5PE***

***South – Kingswood Hub, Alma Road, Kingswood, BS15 4DA***

### ***Central - Yate***

Locality teams support young people who are either children in need, on a child protection plan or who are looked after and going through care proceedings. The Central team works exclusively with young people who are, or who are vulnerable to being exploited. They work intensively with them to safeguard and protect them. These young people may be living at home or they may be looked after.

### ***Who is in the team?***

All teams are managed by one Service Manager and each has a Team manager and 4 or 5 Social Workers. There are also some Social Work Assistants. Caseloads are approx. 17.

### ***What does the team offer?***

Again parental conflict/domestic abuse is a feature of the work in the team and many young people have been hurt through abuse. As a result, we are increasingly seeing children and young people

with complex emotional wellbeing needs that are manifested through self-harm and/or suicidal ideation.

N.B. All roles will have hybrid working in which your job plan will have agreed days to be in person in base and/or delivering face-to-face appointments and others in which you will work virtually (ordinarily from home). This will be based on your personal circumstances/preferences, working hours and service need.