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NIS	LAA	HCS	СР	BVPI	PAF	APA			2007-08 Outturn	2006-09 Talget	July	September	September There continues to be good progress towards a	July	September	July	September	
51	Yes						Effectiveness of child and adolescent mental health (CAMHs) services	Children & Young People	15	15	Outturn a	available March	comprehensive CAMHS provision. A CAMHS Strategy is in place and an operational meeting monitors the service used by children and adolescents to ensure that it continues to meet clients' needs	A	A			Activity showing progress towards target, but no outturn available
59		Y	/es			020 SC / DIS 1704	Initial assessments for children's social care carried out within 7 working days of referral	Children & Young People	57.4%	60%	55.0%	50.6% (130 / 257 assessments)	Against a backdrop of continuing recruitment and retention difficulties, there have been a number of unforeseeable staffing difficulties within the Referral and Assessment Team which has impacted significantly on performance. This is being proactively and robustly managed and performance is expected to improve in quarter 3.	G	R	Δ		Outturn data has been revised for the period to July, on the basis of which the judgement would have been <b>Red</b> .
60					C64		Core assessments for children's social care that were carried out within 35 working days of their commencement	Children & Young People	75%	75%	67%	74% (50 / 68 assessments)	Performance has improved by 7 percentage points over Quarter 1. There continues to be a focus on the timeliness and regular updating of core assessments for children and young people.	R	A	$\nabla$	▽	Although slightly below target and last year's performance, performance has improved significantly since quarter 1
61						058 SC / DIS 1115	Timeliness of placements of looked after children for adoption following an agency decision that the child should be placed for adoption	Children & Young People	90%	100%	80%	58.3% (7 / 12)	With such a small cohort the delay in progressing an adoption order can be disproportionately distorted by a sibling group. While securing adoption as a permanent outcome remains the key aim, moving to this point before specialist services have worked through attachment issues for the most complex children can increase the chances of a placement disruption. This is careful balance we keep under close review on a case by case basis. There is no emerging evidence to suggest this apparent 'drop' in performance is the result of drift or capacity issues; more a reflection of the complexity of children placed. However, prompted by this out-turn this is an issue we will be closely monitoring.	R	R	⊽	⊽	Outturn worse than target and last year
62				49	A1		Stability of placements of looked after children: number of moves	Children & Young People	6.5%	8%	6%	9.1% (13 / 143)	The most challenging children, most notably teenagers, continue to test our in house provision to its limit. We have begun discussions with a range of external providers to ensure that our 'spot purchase' of external placements meets our requirements in terms of quality and placement stability, and also exploring the possibility, in the medium term, of a more collaborative approach to commissioning of placements.	G	A	Δ	▽	Although outturn is worse than target, a small cohort and fluctuating results between quarters mean that achievement of the target is unclear, but still possible; worse than last year
63					D78		Stability of placements of looked after children: length of placement	Children & Young People	71%	62%	71.7%	70.2% (40 / 57)	Although performance has been maintained in this area, with strong efforts to support placements that are working well, we acknowledge that we could still enhance our permanence planning processes.	G	G	Δ	▽	Outturn better than target but slightly below last year
64		Ŷ	/es		C21		Child protection plans lasting 2 years or more	Children & Young People	0%	0%	0.0%	0% (0 / 16)	Independent Reviewing Officers continue to scrutinise child protection planning to ensure it remains purposeful. Further quality assurance mechanisms are being developed to support this aim.	G	G	Δ	Δ	Highest possible performance
65		26 Y	/es		A3		Children becoming the subject of a Child Protection Plan for a second or subsequent time	Children & Young People	14%	14%	13%	11% (12 / 109)	Robust Independent Reviewing Officer scrutiny of child protection planning appears to be ensuring that the exit from the child protection process increasingly results in a sustained outcome for supporting families without the need for a child protection plan.	G	G	Δ	Δ	Outturn better than target and last year
66		Y	/es		C68		Looked after children cases which were reviewed within required timescales	Children & Young People	99%	100%	98%	98.5% (33 / 135)	Performance in this area improved over Quarter 1 and remains positive compared with our statistical neighbours. Looked after processes continue to be prioritised through our Planning, Audit and Review Team, as evidenced in this ongoing excellent performance.	A	A	▽	$\triangleleft \triangleright$	Close to target and same as last year

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67			Yes	8 162	C20	D	Child protection cases which were reviewed within required timescales	Children & Young People	93%	100%	94.7%	September 100% (62 / 62)	September This is a return to our usual expectations for this performance indicator, following a one-off error related to a sibling group of three children whose review was erroneously booked for nine days outside the required timescale. Appropriate measures have been taken to avoid recurrence of this error.	July A	September :	July	September	Highest possible performance achieved
68	3		Yes	5			Referrals to children's social care going on to initial assessment	Children & Young People	52.1%	65%	40%	51.2% (257 / 502)	Performance against this indicator has improved by over 10% over Quarter 1. Practice continues to be reviewed and revised to support good referral taking to enable effective decision-making about the need for assessment. As indicated above this indicator is closely linked to the quality of referral information and ability to identify children needing assessment promptly. Benchmarking work continues. Introduction of Frameworki is expected to have an impact on this indicator and the referral indicator as the workflow system supports improved data quality. This is being closely monitored, on a weekly basis, and will continue with move to Frameworki.	R	A	⊽	▽	Positive improvement showing progress towards achieving target; below last year
72	2						Achievement of at least 78 points across the Early Years Foundation Stage with at least 6 in each of the scales in Personal Social and Emotional Development and Communication, Language and Literacy	Children & Young People	48.9%	53%	43.4%	42.5%	Summer-born children make up a significantly higher proportion of our Reception classes than in the previous two years (4% more than in 2007) contributing to the sharp decline in the Local Authority's FSP data in 2008. Analysis of the data highlights a strong correlation between age and attainment. Of children born in September, 55.2% achieved the Improvements target, compared with only 20.4% of August born children. Another significant contribution to the decline in FSP is that there were more boys (5% more in the 2008 cohort than in 2006). Only 32.9% boys compared with 51.3% girls achieved the Improvements target. Another contributory factor to the decline in 2008 data was the number of children entering Reception classes with identified additional needs at the beginning of the academic year, 2007- 2008. The numbers rose to 62, from 35 the previous year. Over a three-year trend there has been a significant increase in the number of children with English as an Additional Language. More secure observational assessment by teachers and more rigorous LA moderation has resulted in a Dark Green RAG rating for the LA, judging our data to be secure and an exemplary model of moderation and implementation.	R	R	⊽	⊽	Outturn worse than target and last year
73	3			40 41			Achievement at level 4 or above in both English and Maths at Key Stage 2	Children & Young People	N/A	78%	No Data	74%	This is 2% above the national outturn at Level 4 and in line at Level 5. Please note that this is subject to change given the high level of returned writing scripts for remarking. This is an unvalidated result for academic year 2008. Final results will be available in January 2009.		A			Outturn for exam results is still provisional; issues with SATS marking this year are could result in significant changes to the provisional results
74	1			181a-l	)		Achievement at level 5 or above in both English and Maths at Key Stage 3	Children & Young People	N/A	74%	No Data	64%	This is an unvalidated result for academic year 2008. Final results will be available in January 2009.		A			Outturn for exam results is still provisional; issues with SATS marking this year are could result in significant changes to the provisional results
75	5	31					Achievement of 5 or more A*- C grades at GCSE or equivalent including English and Maths (Threshold)	Children & Young People	51.7%	56%	No Data	53%	This is an unvalidated result for academic year 2008. Final results will be available in January 2009.	A	A			Outturn for exam results is still provisional; issues with SATS marking this year are could result in significant changes to the provisional results

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83		181c		Achievement at level 5 or above in Science at Key Stage 3	Children & Young People	78%	84%	No Data	78%	This is an unvalidated result for academic year 2008. Final results will be available in January 2009.		A			Outturn for exam results is still provisional; issues with SATS marking this year are could result in significant changes to the provisional results
84				Achievement of 2 or more A*- C grades in Science GCSEs or equivalent	Children & Young People	N/A	58%	No Data	64%	This is an unvalidated result for academic year 2008. Final results will be available in January 2009.		A			Outturn for exam results is still provisional; issues with SATS marking this year are could result in significant changes to the provisional results
87				Secondary school persistent absence (PA) rate	Children & Young People	N/A	6%	No Data	6.3%	The outturn for secondary schools in 2007/8, again unvalidated, is 6.3%, which was within the year's target of 6.4%. However, 4 schools have been identified as priority PA schools for 2008/9 on the basis of their PA performance in 2007/8 - Aylestone, Weobley, QE, and The Minster. The target for 2008/9 is likely to even more challenging at 6%. Action plans are being drawn up with the 4 schools identified.		R			Outturn worse than target
88				Number of Extended Schools	Children & Young People	N/A	58%	73.7%	79%	Progress to date good, exceeded 08/09 target. Challenges for next outturn quarter 3 with delay in roll out of CAF which may effect the delivery swift and easy access, which forms part of the core offer if schools have not had staff trained to implement. New funding formula/ rethinking to be progressed may also cause full core offer reduction.	G	G			Outturn better than target
89				Number of schools in special	Children & Young People	N/A	0	1	1	1 school judged to be making satisfactory progress at last monitoring visit.	R	R			Outturn worse than
92				measures Narrowing the gap between the lowest achieving 20% in the Early Years Foundation Stage Profile and the rest	Children & Young People	35.0%	33%	37%	37%	The increase in the number of summer born children and boys also contributes to the widening of the gap between the lowest 20% and the rest. Of the 20% lowest performers, 47.2% are summer-born children compared with 21% born in the autumn.	R	R	▽	V	target Outturn worse than target and last year
93	Yes			Progression by 2 levels in English between Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2	Children & Young People		86%	No Data	89%	This is at Level 2B+ and is therefore a very positive picture. Unvalidated results show that performance was ahead of target. Final results will be available in January 2009.	A	A			Outturn for exam results is still provisional; issues with SATS marking this year are could result in significant changes to the provisional results
94	Yes			Progression by 2 levels in Maths between Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2	Children & Young People		83%	No Data	77%	Unvalidated results show that performance was below target. Final results will be available in January 2009.	A	A			Outturn for exam results is still provisional; issues with SATS marking this year are could result in significant changes to the provisional results
95				Progression by 2 levels in English between Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 3	Children & Young People	N/A	28%	No Data	24%	This is an unvalidated result for academic year 2008. Final results will be available in January 2009.		A			Outturn for exam results is still provisional; issues with SATS marking this year are could result in significant changes to the provisional results
96				Progression by 2 levels in Maths between Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 3	Children & Young People	N/A	62%	No Data	61%	This is an unvalidated result for academic year 2008. Final results will be available in January 2009.		A			Outturn for exam results is still provisional; issues with SATS marking this year are could result in significant changes to the provisional results

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97		Progression by 2 levels in English between Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4	Children & Young People	N/A	54%	No Data	60%	This is an unvalidated result for academic year 2008. Final results will be available in January 2009.		A		Outturn for exam results is still provisional; issues with SATS marking this year are could result in significant changes to the provisional results
98		Progression by 2 levels in Maths between Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4	Children & Young People	N/A	35%	No Data	28%	This is an unvalidated result for academic year 2008. Final results will be available in January 2009.		A		Outturn for exam results is still provisional; issues with SATS marking this year are could result in significant changes to the provisional results
101		Children in care achieving 5 A* C GCSEs (or equivalent) at Key Stage 4 (including English and Maths)		3/20 15%	16%	No Data	29%	This is a provisional Figure: Of the young people leaving school taking GCSEs this summer, 4/14 achieved 5 or more GCSE passes, including English and Maths. 50% achieved 5 A*-G passes. The final figure will be confirmed for Q3.		A		Outturn for exam results is still provisional; issues with SATS marking this year are could result in significant changes to the provisional results
102		Achievement gap between pupils eligible for free school meals and their peers achieving the expected level at Key Stage 4	Children & Young People	N/A	26%	No Data	33%	This is an unvalidated result for academic year 2008. Final results will be available in January 2009.		A		Outturn for exam results is still provisional; issues with SATS marking this year are could result in significant changes to the provisional results
103		Special Educational Needs – statements issued within 26 weeks	Children & Young People		90%	100%	100%	The number of Final Statements of SEN issued since the commencement of the reporting period April 2008 is 9 (correct as at 01/07/2008). The number of Final Statements of SEN, excluding exception cases, issued since the commencement of the reporting period April 2008 is 8 (correct as at 01/07/2008). One case missed the 26 week target deadline as an exceptional case under Regulation 17 (4c and 4d) and is therefore excluded from the calculation.	G	G		Outturn better than target
107		Key Stage 2 attainment for Black and minority ethnic groups	Children & Young People	N/A	65%	No Data	69%	Ethnic Minorities achieving Level 4+ in English/Maths. This is an unvalidated result for academic year 2008. Final results will be available in January 2009.		A		Outturn for exam results is still provisional; issues with SATS marking this year are could result in significant changes to the provisional results
108		Key Stage 4 attainment for Black and minority ethnic groups	Children & Young People	N/A	47%	No Data	57%	This is an unvalidated result for academic year 2008. Final results will be available in January 2009.		A		Outturn for exam results is still provisional; issues with SATS marking this year are could result in significant changes to the provisional results
109		Number of Sure Start Children Centres	Children & Young People		100% (10 centres)	90% (9 centres)	90% (9 centres)	Work in progress with designation of Holly Bush, South Wye, should be completed by March 2009 to achieve target of 10	G	G		Although outturn is currently below target, there is clear evidence that the target will be achieved by year-end
110 Yes		Young people's participation in positive activities	Children & Young People	N/A	Establish baseline	No Data	73%	This indicator is measured through the annual Tellus survey conducted in schools between April and June. It measures the proportion of young people in school year 10 responding yes' to the question "In the last 4 weeks, have you participated in any group activity led by an adult outside school lessons". The Youthzone website that promotes positive activities has been redeveloped to link with the 14-19 curriculum offer and will be launched in the next quarter	G	G		Baseline established

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117			Dill	174	747	16 to 18 year olds who are not in education, training or employment (NEET)	Children & Young People	5.4%	5.2%	No Data	8.2%	Post-16 NEET provision is being commissioned which is targeted at vulnerable groups and will come on stream in November 2008. Outturn data will be available in January 2009	G	R	July		Outturn worse than target and last year
148		41	161	A4		Care leavers in employment, education or training	Children & Young People	94%	100%	Outturn a	available March	Performance is anticipated to be good within this area, and the Aftercare Service continues to develop a range of services to support care leavers into employment and training, as well as supporting further and higher education opportunities.	G	G			Although no outturn is available, positive activity suggests that the target will be achieved
			38			The percentage of 15 year old pupils in schools maintained by the Local Education Authority achieving 5 or more GCSEs at grades A*-C or equivalent	Children & Young People	62%	67%	No Data	68%	This is an unvalidated result for academic year 2008. Final results will be available in January 2009.		A			Outturn for exam results is still provisional; issues with SATS marking this year are could result in significant changes to the provisional results
			39			The percentage of 15 year old pupils in schools maintained by the Local Education Authority achieving 5 or more GCSEs or equivalent at grades A+-G including English and Mathematics	Children & Young People	93.6%	95%	No Data	93%	This is an unvalidated result for academic year 2008. Final results will be available in January 2009.		A			Outturn for exam results is still provisional; issues with SATS marking this year are could result in significant changes to the provisional results
		34	45			The percentage of half days missed due to total absence in secondary schools maintained by the Local Education Authority	Children & Young People	7.9%	5.5%	No Data	7.4%	The overall absence outturn for 2007/8, not yet validated, has been notified by DCFS as being 7.4% for secondary schools in 2007/08 academic year, an improvement on the previous year of 0.5%. Combined with the primary schools outturn this comes to overall absence of 6.3%, which may be within the target for LPSA reward grant, depending on the calculations used.		R			Outturn worse than target but better than last year
	(	60a				Quality of Life - activities for teenagers	Children & Young People	-31pp	-22pp (2010 Target)	Outturn a	available March	This indicator measures adults' perception of activities for teenagers. It is measured through the residents' satisfaction survey. More work is needed to raise adult awareness of the work being done by the Youth Service. This will include promoting the Youth Zone website (www.myherefordshire.com/youthzone) to adults & young people alike. The provision of activities for teenagers is closely aligned with the provision of positive activities outlined under NI 110 above.		A			Activity showing progress towards target, but no outturn available
			221a			Youth Work – The percentage of young people aged 13-19 gaining a recorded outcome compared to the percentage of young people in the Local Authority area	Children & Young People	82.9%	60%	36.4%	Data being analysed.	In the first quarter we had been on track to achieve national targets but have dipped in performance at period five and currently do not have period 6 data to complete the full picture for the quarter	R	R	▽	▽	Outturn worse than target and last year
			221b			Youth Work – The percentage of young people aged 13-19 gaining an accredited outcome compared to the percentage of young people in the Local Authority area		54%	30%	35.7%	Data being analysed.	In the first quarter we had been on track to achieve national targets but have dipped in performance at period five and currently do not have periods 6 data to complete the full picture for the quarter, we are still above national target but need to reverse the trend	G	G	▽		Outturn better than target but worse than last year
			43a			The percentage of proposed statements of Special Educational Need issued by the Local Authority in a financial year and prepared within 18 weeks excluding exceptions	Children & Young People	100%	100%	100%	100%	The number of Proposed Statements of SEN issued since commencement of the reporting period April 2008 is 14 (correct as at 01/10/2008), compared to 9 at the end of June.	G	G	۵	Δ	Highest possible performance achieved

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	43b			The percentage of proposed statements of Special Educational Need issued by the Local Authority in a financial year and prepared within 18 weeks including exceptions	Children & Young People	100%	100%	100%	100%	The number of Proposed Statements of SEN issued since commencement of the reporting period April 2008 is 14 (correct as at 01/10/2008), compared to 9 at the end of June.	G	G	Δ	Δ	Highest possible performance achieved
	 163	C23		The number of children who ceased to be looked after during the year as a result of the granting of an adoption or special guardianship order, as a percentage of the number of children looked after at 31 March (excluding unaccompanied asylum seekers) who had been looked after for 6 months or more on that day	Children & Young People	11.8%	8%	10.8%	12.3%	Recent close scrutiny of cases suggests that permanence planning remains on track for children. With such a small cohort, some fluctuation between quarters is anticipated, but the performance remains in line with our expectations.	G	G	⇔		Outturn better than target and last year
	 181d			The percentage of 14 year old pupils in schools maintained by the Local Education Authority achieving Level 5 or above in the Key Stage 3 test in ICT	Children & Young People	75.2%	84%	No Data	83%	This is an unvalidated result for academic year 2008. Final results will be available in January 2009.		A			Outturn for exam results is still provisional; issues with SATS marking this year are could result in significant changes to the provisional results
	194a			The percentage of 11 year old pupils achieving Level 5 in Key Stage 2 test in English		35%	34%	No Data	29%	This is in line with the national average. Boys are 1% above the national average; girls 1% below. This is an unvalidated result for academic year 2008. Final results will be available in January 2009.		A			Outturn for exam results is still provisional; issues with SATS marking this year are could result in significant changes to the provisional results
	194b			The percentage of 11 year old pupils achieving Level 5 in Key Stage 2 test in Mathematics		34%	35%	No Data	29%	This is 2% below the national outturn at Level 5. Please note that this is subject to change given the high level of returned writing scripts for remarking. This is an unvalidated result for academic year 2008. Final results will be available in January 2009.		A			Outturn for exam results is still provisional; issues with SATS marking this year are could result in significant changes to the provisional results
	222b			The percentage of leaders of integrated early education and childcare settings funded or part-funded by the Local Authority which have input from staff with graduate or post graduate training in teaching or child development	Children & Young People	100%	100%	No Data	100%	All settings have input from an Early Years Foundation Stage Mentor Teacher and an Early Years Inclusion Coordinator, both of whom have qualified teacher status, as part of the universal support of settings as well as more targeted support where necessary.		G		Δ	Highest possible performance achieved
		B79		Of children aged at least 10 and under 16 looked after at 31 March (excluding those placed with parents) the percentage who were in foster placements or placed for adoption	Children & Young People	80%	80%	86%	84.4%	Residential care for children is used sparingly. Whenever possible, family placement options are explored. Extending the capacity of fostering to cope with the most demanding children - e.g. in relation to remands - remains a key area for development in the coming months. This indicator is showing steady year on year progress. Specific work to improve our placement strategy is being progressed as part of our review of our in house fostering service and this will result in measures to ensure that only those children who are unable to settle in family settings are placed in residential care.	G	G	Δ	Δ	Outturn better than target and last year
			/ DIS	Percentage of looked after children fostered by relatives or friends	Children & Young People	15.8%	16.0%	14.6%	14.7%	Recent research carried out by the University of York suggests that this is 'mid-table' - the introduction of the Public Law Outline and Family Group Conferencing will ensure that this remains an option prior to admission to the care system. Proportions have remained constant for several quarters.	R	R	▽	▽	Outturn worse than target and last year

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	20605 / DIS 1114		Children & Young People	98.7%	100%	91.8%	100%	The priority is to maintain performance at this level. The team managers and service management group monitors and reviews the position regarding allocation of work on a weekly basis to ensure that LAC children have a named social worker	R	G	⊽	Δ	Highest possible performance achieved
	20245 / DIS 1219			14.28%	0%	0%	0%	All children and young people with child protection plans have an allocated social worker. As a priority this will be maintained and be reviewed regularly by team managers.	G	G	Δ	Δ	Highest possible performance achieved
	/ KIG	Children whose child C protection plans were S discontinued, or were de- registered, per 10,000 population aged under 18	Children & Young People	18.8	17	18.8	19.9	Throughput and timeliness of risk management remains a key area for the Planning, Audit and Review Team in their work in relation to Child Protection.	G	G		Δ	Outturn better than target and last year
	2052S KIGS CH44		Children & Young People	12.3	13%	13.9%	13.2%	Although marginal, this is a disappointing increase, partly explained by the change in proportion of 'hard to place' children in a falling care population. As outlined above in NI 62, there is potentially more that can be done to support the placement of children and young people with 'challenging behaviour' in fostering provision, and this is an area we are looking to develop are also undergoing formal contract reviews with our residential providers to ensure purposeful planning is supported. Specialist foster care is also being explored as an option to reduce reliance upon residential provision.	R	R	⊽	⊽	Outturn worse than target and last year
	/ KIG	C Percentage of referrals that S are repeat referrals within 12 months	Children & Young People	22.1%	18%	23.1%	24.2%	Quarter 2 outturn suggests audit of repeat referrals is needed sooner than planned, to identify possible reasons for the figure continuing to rise. This will be undertaken in the 3rd quarter.	R	R	▽	⊽	Outturn worse than target and last year
	20375 / KIG CH12		Children & Young People	26.4%	50%	28.7%	19.2%	There have been some systemic problems in the timeliness of notifying the Planning, Audit and Review Team of Section 47 investigations. Framework I should address these issues in full because awareness of new cases is prompted by automatic notification, making it impossible to carry out a section 47 investigation without this activity being known to conference co-ordinators. This is an area requiring specific attention to ensure the system achieves this aim.	R	R	Δ	⊽	Outturn worse than target and last year
	C69	The percentage of children newly looked after in the year, and still looked after at 31 March, who were placed at 31 March more than 20 miles from their home address from which first placed	Children & Young People	12%	10%	13.2%	20%	The target remains a challenging one for an authority with large rural areas. We are exploring more collaborative commissioning models with local providers to avoid the need to use placements outside of the county boundaries. External placements outside of the county are only used for the most complex children whose needs extend beyond local in house or private and voluntary provision.	R	R	⊽	▽	Outturn worse than target and last year

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			16SC F 63	The number of children and young people who communicated their views specifically for each of their statutory reviews as a percentage of the number of children and young people who had been looked after at 31 March for more than four weeks	Children & Young People	97%	100%	96%	90.6%	With the age profile of looked after children changing, it may be that young people are electing not to be directly involved. However, this is an area which requires further investigation. We are looking to enhance the quality assurance and feedback mechanisms from young people in relation to their review in the coming months.	R	R	V	▽	Outturn worse than target and last year
		502	26SC	What percentage of children with disabilities aged 14+ had a transition plan to support their move from Children's Services to Adult Services?	Children & Young People	Up to 90%	>90%	100%	81.25%	All young people open to the Children with Disabilities Team have their transition planning started at the age of 14. At this stage, the plan is unlikely to be in the form of a written plan because the young person's future needs are evolving and it is not usually appropriate to have decided what support, training, employment etc. will need to be accessed at this stage. However, 100% of young people aged 18 have a transition plan, 100% of 17 year olds have planning ongoing with adult services. All children who are in care have transition planning as part of their review.	G	R	۵	⊽	Outturn worse than target and last year
		B8		Average gross weekly expenditure per looked after child in foster care or in a children's home	Children & Young People	£819	£760	£781	£832	Costs have increased in this area as a result of an increased contribution to the Joint Agency Meeting budget which identifies placements for children with specialist and/or complex needs.	R	R	Δ	▽	Outturn worse than target and last year
		E44		Gross expenditure on children in need but not looked after, as a percentage of gross expenditure on all children's services	Children & Young People	29%	33%	29.01%	28%	There was a reduction in the amount of expenditure on Hollybush Family Centre during first half of year. Last year's figures were slightly distorted by an exceptionally high amount of expenditure on direct payments. This year's figure is likely to be more in line with normal spend pattern.	A	R	Δ	▽	Outturn worse than target and last year
		D74		Practice learning: The number of assessed social work practice learning days per whole time equivalent social worker for employees working in children's services	Children & Young People	18.3	15	15.7	16	Additional MA students from Bristol are likely to improve performance further	G	G	▽	▽	Outturn better than target but worse than last year