



IVY Workplan 2017/18

Background

Our vision is a Scotland where all individuals and communities are safe and flourish; and where Scottish youth justice practice, policy and research is internationally renowned and respected.

To achieve this vision we work to advance four short-term **outcomes**:

1. There is a good understanding of what supports, and what are barriers to, children and young people being safe and flourishing
2. Youth justice practice and policy are informed by our best knowledge and evidence
3. Youth justice stakeholders work together to design, develop and implement improvements
4. Youth justice practitioners have the skills, confidence and support they need to best help children and young people

To make progress on these four outcomes our work focuses on three broad areas:

Practice Development: Working with practitioners and policy-makers to undertake, support and coordinate activities to improve

Research: Undertaking, supporting and coordinating research

Knowledge exchange: Sharing and disseminating knowledge

IVY is primarily funded through a grant from the Scottish Government and this workplan details the work we will deliver funded by this grant. We will also sometimes charge for some of the training listed here, to encourage attendance and cover costs.

Workplan 2017/18

The table below specifies the projects and activities we will undertake in 2017/18 funded by the Scottish Government 'IVY grant'. We report on these activities, progress and performance on a quarterly basis to the Scottish Government and CYCJ's Executive Governance Group. Most of our activities make some contribution to all four of our outcomes specified above, but here the key outcomes for each activity are noted.

Project plans will be produced for each significant piece of work and kept up to date as the work progresses. These plans will specify approach, remit, timescales and outcomes in greater depth, and will be available on request.

Theme One: Mental health and trauma

To provide a three staged model of intervention guided by the principles of best practice in consultation and thereafter risk assessment and treatment for complex cases	Claire Lightowler & Lorraine Johnstone	Q1-Q4	Outcomes 3 & 4
Run a mental health and trauma service for the whole of Scotland for young people aged 12-18	Claire Lightowler	Q1-4	Outcomes 1-4
Run a national professional development event on mental health, trauma and complexity	Carole Murphy, Pamela Morrison, Kate Black & Clare Neil	Q4	Outcomes 1, 2 & 4
Promote the work and outcomes of IVY through speaking at conferences/events	Kate Black, Clare Neil & Carole Murphy	Q3-Q4	Outcomes 1 & 3
Produce papers and information sheets on various aspects of IVY to share learning and good practice	Kate Black, Clare Neil & Nina Vaswani	Q1-Q2	Outcomes 3 & 4
Support a Masters Student to undertake research in relation to attachment difficulties and young people, using data from IVY	Kate Black	Q1-2	Outcome 4

Theme Two: High risk and complex needs

Undertake research about the backgrounds and needs of our most vulnerable young people	Nina Vaswani	Q1-4	Outcomes 1-4
Maintain an up to date profile of young people referred to IVY . This will be monitored through the publication of quarterly monitoring reports	Clare Neil	Q1-Q4 At least quarterly	Outcomes 1 & 2

Theme Three: The role of youth justice and working with others (professionals, young people and families)

Produce a thinkpiece on the role of joint working with social work and psychology	Clare Neil & Kate Black	Q3	Outcomes 2, 3 & 4
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Theme Four: Young People and their families - engagement and perspectives

Gathering Young people's and their families perspectives on the IVY service	Nina Vaswani and Kristina Moodie	Q4	Outcomes 2 & 4
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Theme Five: Implementation and improvement

Projects and Outputs	CYCJ lead & partners	Timescales & frequency	Outcomes
Service audit and performance monitoring	IVY team	Q1-4	Outcome 2
Practitioner support service: Provide a practitioner support and information service in relation to high risk young people.	Kate Black & Clare Neil	Q1-4	Outcomes: 2 & 4
Run specific training and refresher sessions on specific topics including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • START AV • SAVRY • Attachment & Trauma • Risk formulation 	Kate Black	Q1-Q4 No. sessions to be based on demand.	Outcomes 1, 2, 3 & 4
Lectures: Undertake lectures across Scottish Universities to support the future workforce	Clare Neil	Q1-4	Outcome 4