

St. Michael's House Children's Services 2016 Update

St. Michael's House is getting ready for changes to children's services. This is known as Progressing Disability Services for Children and Young Persons. These changes are being brought about by national policy and are now being implemented in the Dublin area. Dublin North code is CH09 and Dublin South is CH06 and CH07.

What does it mean for your child and family?

- Children and families will be supported by a network team in your local area. A network team is made up of specific group of clinicians, Speech & Language Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Psychology, Social Work and Physiotherapy and other relevant clinical and support services.
- The HSE have provided information of a list of geographic areas within each network.
- The Network Teams will support children with a range of disabilities.

How is St. Michael's House getting ready for these changes?

St. Michael's House is discussing and planning;

- how to communicate the changes to families and staff
- helping families through the change to their new Network Team
- how services will be delivered in the new Network Team
- working with other agencies involved.

Who are the four agencies involved?

The four lead agencies in Dublin North CH09 area are; Central Remedial Clinic (CRC), HSE, St. Michael's House and Daughters of Charity.

When is the change happening?

It is likely for 2017 but we do not have definite dates. Changes in the North and South of the City are taking place at different stages.

Where can I get more information?

The HSE provide regular bulletins and have responsibility for sharing information with all families. If you wish to receive these regular updates from HSE, please register with the website below.

Web: www.hse/progressingdisabilityservices

Email: pcds.9@hse.ie

Previous bulletins can be accessed on the HSE site or www.smh.ie

Please find enclosed PDS North City & County CH09 Autumn 2016 Bulletin

What can I expect now?

We will continue to communicate with you in 2017. We will be providing you with information on any developments early in the New Year.

There are also plans in place to develop a family forum in January 2017. Information to follow.

Additional questions?

Email: St. Michael's House directly at progressingdisabilities@smh.ie

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