15th November 2022 (V2)

Dear Colleagues

We are writing to you today to let you know about some changes to the Lambeth and Southwark Universal Health Visiting Services provided by the Evelina London.

**The Early Intervention Health Visiting Service**

We recently communicated to you that Lambeth and Southwark Councils, together with Evelina London, have decided to stop providing the Family Nurse Partnership Programme in our boroughs. We are working to safely transition existing families on the caseload to our new Bright Beginnings pathway or discharged to the universal Health visiting service.

We have expanded and transformed the Early Intervention Health Visiting service in both boroughs, building upon our current enhanced health visiting offer and so it can be personalised to any families identified with additional support needs. This pathway is called the Bright Beginnings Pathway. The Bright Beginnings pathway will be delivered by an expanded team of Early Intervention Health Visitors.

Referrals into this new service can be accepted from any health professional and the referral criteria and form can be found on our website and below [Health visiting service | Evelina London](https://www.evelinalondon.nhs.uk/our-services/community/health-visiting-service/overview.aspx)



**The Complex Needs Health Visiting Team**

Our complex needs Health Visiting team provide a specialist service supporting children under the age of five with complex health and developmental needs and providing their families with enhanced parenting support.

The team support families who have children with complex health needs through the process of diagnosis, in implementing therapy or behavioural programmes, developing strong relationships with children with disabilities and discussing developmental concerns and provide parenting advice

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**The Health Visiting Support and Development Team**

The Health Visiting Support and Development Team form part of our universal health visiting service. The team provide individual parenting support and advice over a number of planned sessions with families. The team accept referrals where children present with behavioural or developmental issues and target support at families who use the emergency department as their first line of primary care for their children and increase parental confidence in managing minor ailments at home

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**The HENRY Programme**

HENRY is a licensed programme that can deliver a wide range of support for families including workshops, programmes, resources and online help. The programme supports parents and carers with whole-family nutrition, parenting skills, physical activity and emotional wellbeing.

Our health visiting support and development workers have already started to deliver standalone subject-specific workshops to parents with children under the age of five to help them give their child a healthy start in life. From the New Year, the team will also deliver eight-week HENRY healthy families: right from the start programmes to families with children under the age of five years old.

Parents and carers can book directly into these workshops by emailing: gst-tr.HVsupportanddevelopmentworker@nhs.net

You can find details of the upcoming sessions on our website [Health visiting service | Evelina London](https://www.evelinalondon.nhs.uk/our-services/community/health-visiting-service/overview.aspx)

For general enquiries and information around our health visiting service in Lambeth and Southwark please visit our website [Health visiting service | Evelina London](https://www.evelinalondon.nhs.uk/our-services/community/health-visiting-service/overview.aspx) or email the teams as below:

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Kindest Regards,



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