



SNAP PARENT CARER FORUM
CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE

Strategy Meeting
Friday 31st March 2017
10.30 am – 12.30 pm



Agenda

- Welcome & Introductions
- Update on SNAP PCF
- SNAP's successes
- Review last years Strategy Meeting discussions
- Update from The Assistant Director of Operations for Children's Services
- This year's discussions
- Feedback & Actions
- Close



Welcome & Introductions



SNAP PCF - Update



- Previously we were hosted by Families United Network, today we re-launch as a Community Interest Company (CIC)
- The Special Needs Action Panel will now be known as SNAP PCF CIC Ltd
- We are managed by our Director, Martha Smith and continue to have a Management Steering Group who meet half termly
- Our Parent Representatives meet monthly except for August and December
- We need your help to increase awareness of the Forum. Our focus is to recruit more members and Parent Representatives this year to ensure we are representing a broad view of local families
- Please take a look at our new website: www.snappcf.org.uk



SNAP's Successes

Working with our partners - **Short Breaks**



- SNAP has worked with CWD team as part of the Short Breaks review
- Ken Harvey attended our Focus Meetings from which we wrote a report with recommendations
- SNAP ran a meeting to support parent carers in completing the CBC SB survey we also produced our own survey. SNAP have been invited to formally share our results with the O&S Board and the Executive Board



SNAP's Successes – working with our partners



- Leisure Services - SNAP has co-produced a carers policy which all leisure centres within Central Bedfordshire have signed up to which can be found on the Local Offer
- SNAP has run EHCP workshops with Core Assets Independent Supporters. SNAP recorded the feedback and worked with the manager of the SEND team to look at how we can improve the service
- SEND Support Plans – SNAP has worked with the SEND team to reduce the SEND support plan into a better working document for schools and families to use
- PfA – SNAP's Parent Representatives felt that although decisions were being made they had little impact of family life, therefore PfA adopted the 'you said, we did, so what' model
- Local Offer – Updated version had lost some of the statutory requirements that SNAP were able to highlight in a report which refocused this workstream. SNAP will continue to promote the Local Offer to ensure parent carers can find all the information they require to support their families



SNAP's Successes working with our partners - Health



- Occupational Therapy & Physiotherapy Review
- SALT Review
- Futures In Mind Transformation Steering Group
- Special Schools Pathway Meeting
- Community Health Contracts - How will SNAP be involved?



Review last years topics



- Personal Budgets – How can Personal Budgets be developed to stimulate the market to enable families to take greater control? Will this work for Education, Health and both Children’s and Adult Social Care?
- Adult, Children and Health services - people and IT Systems working together. How can we make it happen?
- Care – How can we help care companies to work smarter to help carers, people being cared for by CBC?



Update – From CBC



This year's discussions



- **Discussion one:** 'What about the grey children'- short presentation by Martha Smith. Followed by a 20 minute open floor discussion. What are the actions?
- **Discussion two:** 'Holistic view of the Child'- Short presentation by Anne Collinson. Followed by a 20 minute open floor discussion. What are the actions?



The Grey Children



- What support is available for those children and young people at SEND support?
- How do parent carers find out what information is out there to support their family?
- What can the impact be if the family does not receive ‘the right support at the right time’?
- Section 19 Principles – setting expectations
- How can we work together to improve the outcomes for the children, young people and their families?



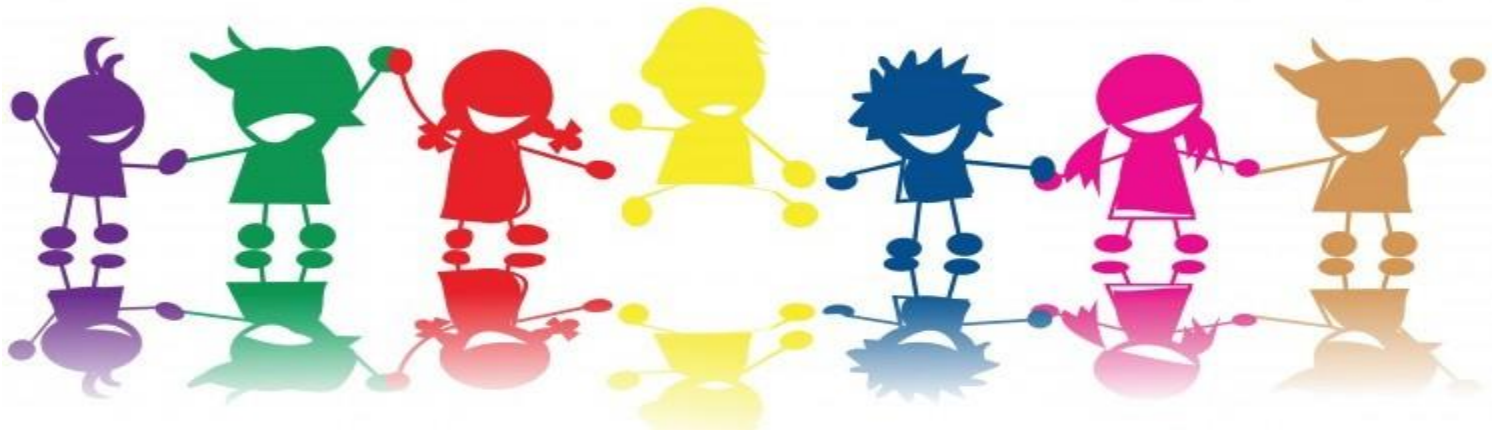
Question



- How can we make a difference to those children and their families who are at SEND Support?
- What does 'right support at the right time look like' in Central Bedfordshire?



A Reminder.....



“For too long, families have found themselves battling against a complex and fragmented system.

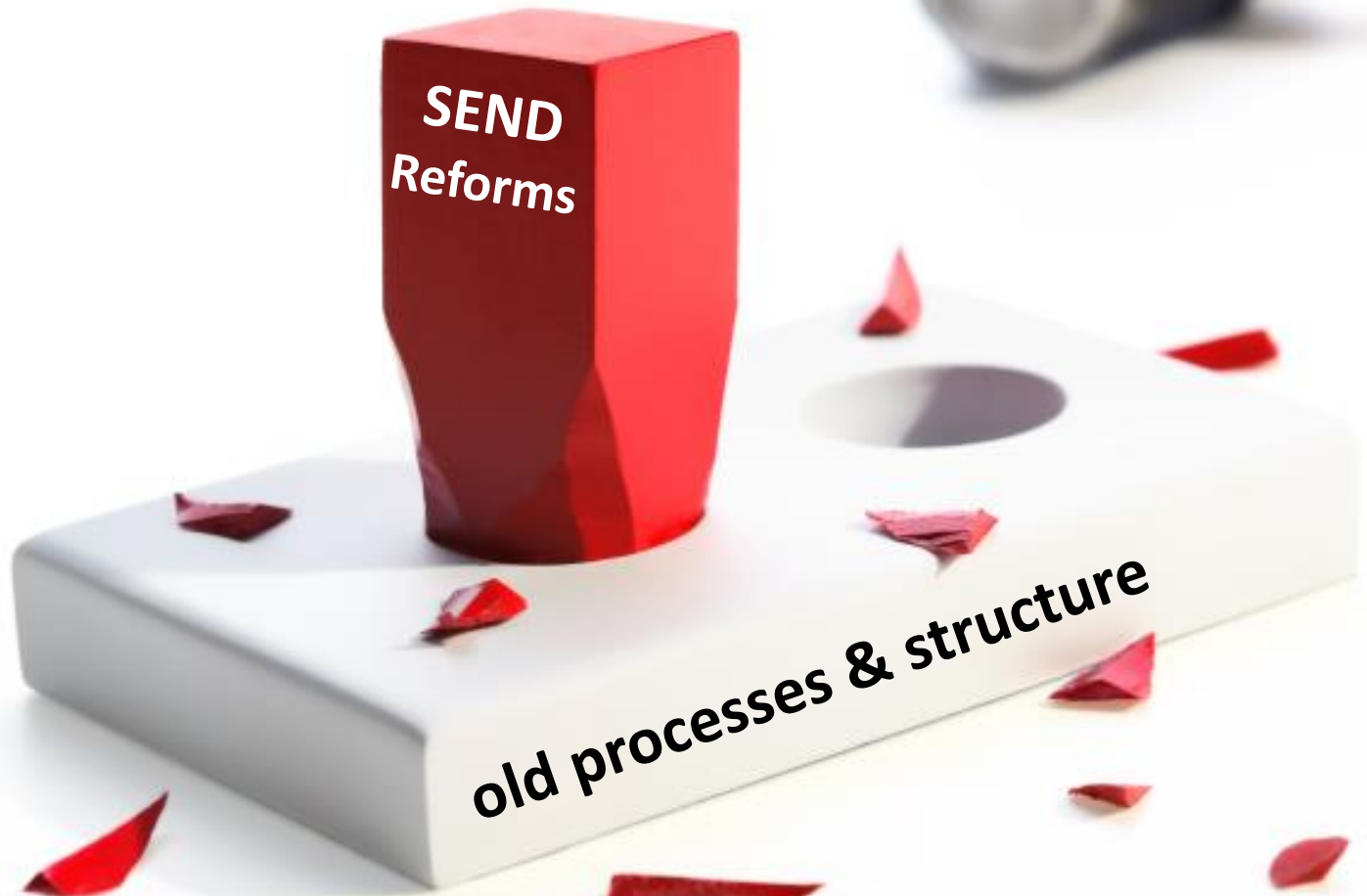
These reforms ensure support fits in with their needs and not the other way round - they will result in a simpler and more joined up system that focuses on children achieving their best.”

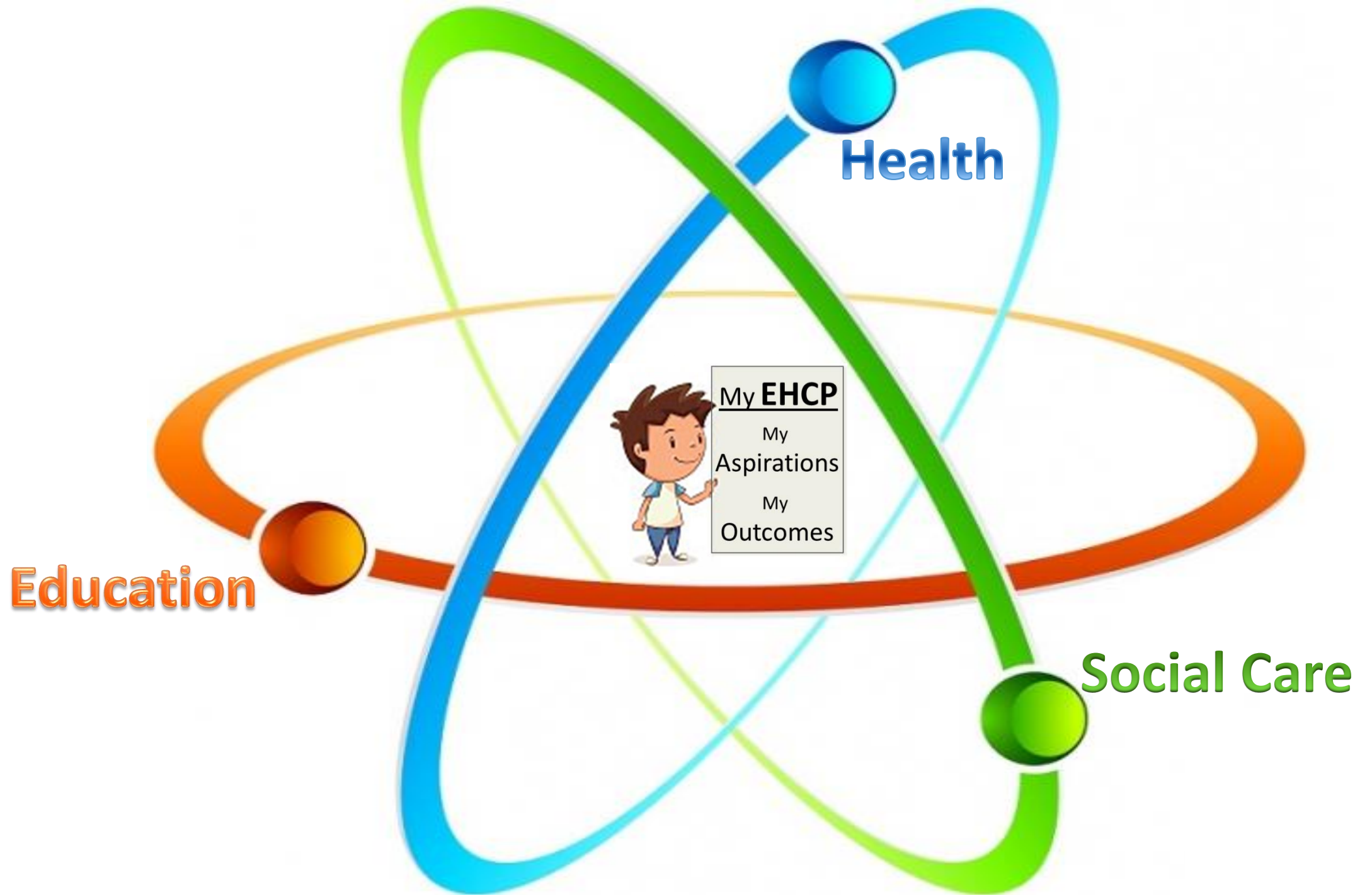
Children and Families Minister, Edward Timpson



**SEND
Reforms**

old processes & structure







'Holistic' Education, Health & Care Plans

Who in the EHCP process is seeing the child or young person **holistically**, and seeing the interdependencies across Education, Health and Social Care?

How can we ensure that these **interdependencies** are understood by everyone and properly reflected in the EHC Plan?

How can we get everyone to consistently take the **EHCP outcomes** as their starting point, and at the centre of all of their planning and decision-making for that young person?

How can we ensure that the **CCG** is a more active and central participant in the EHCP process?

How can all areas of support for SEND young people truly become **integrated** and be consistently working together for each young person?



Actions from today's discussions

- **What are the answers?**
- **How can any of this be achieved?**
- **Who will take this as an action in to their workstream/department?**



Close



- Thank you for attending SNAP PCF Strategy Meeting.
- **Don't forget your post-it-notes!**
- We look forward to seeing what we can all achieve in the last year of implementing the SEND reforms

