



**Y Pwyllgor Plant a Phobl Ifanc
Children and Young People Committee**

27 July 2011

Dear Colleague

The National Assembly for Wales' [Children and Young People Committee](#) is undertaking an inquiry into children's oral health.

The overall aim of the inquiry is:

To examine the effectiveness of the Welsh Government's *Designed to Smile* programme in improving the oral health of children in Wales, particularly in deprived areas.

To assist with its inquiry, the Committee would welcome your views on any or all of the following points:

1. The take-up of:
 - a) the supervised tooth brushing scheme for 3-5 year olds,
 - b) the promotional programme for 6-11 year olds;
2. Whether the investment has delivered improved health outcomes for the most disadvantaged children and young people;
3. Whether the programme is operating consistently across Wales in all areas of need;
4. How effective the expansion of the programme has been, particularly in relation to 0-3 year olds;
5. Whether the programme addresses the needs of all groups of children and young people;

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6. The extent to which the *Designed to Smile* programme has been integrated into wider local and national initiatives such as the Welsh Network of Healthy School Schemes and Flying Start;
7. The current and potential implications for paediatric dentistry, including reviewing the strengthened role of the Community Dental Service in children's public health.

Invitation to contribute to the inquiry

The Committee welcomes responses from both individuals and organisations. If you are responding on behalf of an organisation, please provide a brief description of the role of your organisation.

The Committee welcomes contributions in English or Welsh and will consider responses to the inquiry and hold oral evidence sessions during the autumn term.

If you wish to submit evidence, please send an electronic copy of your submission to CYPCommittee@wales.gov.uk.

Alternatively, you can write to:

Committee Clerk
Children and Young People Committee
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Cardiff Bay, CF99 1NA.

Submissions should arrive by **Friday 9 September 2011**. It may not be possible to take into account responses received after this date.

For your information, the Committee has invited submissions from those on the attached distribution list. They would be grateful if you could forward a copy of the letter to any individuals or organisations that are not included on this list, but might like to contribute to the review. A copy of this letter has been placed on the National Assembly's website with an open invitation to submit views.

Disclosure of Information

It is normal practice for the National Assembly to publish evidence provided to a Committee. Consequently your response may appear in a report or in supplementary evidence to a report. The National Assembly will not publish information which it considers to be personal data.

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Yours faithfully



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Cardiff & Vale University Health Board
Cwm Taf Health Board
Hywel Dda Health Board
Powys Teaching Health Board

Health Trusts

Public Health Wales NHS Trust
Velindre NHS Trust
Welsh Ambulance Services NHS Trust

Healthcare providers

British Association of Social Workers
British Dental Association
British Dental Practice Managers Association
British Dietetic Association
British Medical Association
British Society of Paediatric Dentistry
British Society for Disability and Oral Health
Chartered Society of Physiotherapists
College of Occupational Therapists
General Dental Council
General Medical Council
Health Protection Agency
National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence
Patients Association
Royal College of General Practitioners
Royal College of Midwives
Royal College of Nursing
The Welsh NHS Confederation

Community Health Councils

Board of Community Health Councils in Wales
Abertawe Bro Morgannwg Community Health Council
Aneurin Bevan Community Health Council
Betsi Cadwaladr Community Health Council
Brecknock and Radnor Community Health Council
Cardiff and Vale Community Health Council
Cwm Taf Community Health Council
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Conwy County Borough Council
Denbighshire County Borough Council
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Isle of Anglesey County Council
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Powys County Council
Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council
Torfaen County Borough Council
Vale of Glamorgan Council
Wrexham County Borough Council

Official Agencies

Association of Directors of Education in Wales
Association of Directors of Social Services
Care Council for Wales
Care and Social Services Inspectorate Wales
Children's Commissioner for Wales
Older People's Commissioner for Wales
Equality and Human Rights Commission
Health and Safety Executive
Healthcare Inspectorate Wales
Wales Audit Office
Welsh Language Board
Welsh Local Government Association

Councils for Voluntary Action

Bridgend Association of Voluntary Organisations
Carmarthenshire Association of Voluntary Services
Ceredigion Association of Voluntary Services
Conwy Voluntary Services Council
Denbighshire Voluntary Services Council
Flintshire Local Voluntary Council
Gwent Association of Voluntary Organisations
Interlink
Mantell Gwynedd
Medrwn Mon
Neath Port Talbot Council for Voluntary Service
Pembrokeshire Association of Voluntary Services

Powys Association of Voluntary Organisations
Swansea Council for Voluntary Service
Torfaen Voluntary Alliance
Voluntary Action Cardiff
Voluntary Action Merthyr Tydfil
Vale Centre for Voluntary Services
Association of Voluntary Organisations in Wrexham
Wales Council for Voluntary Action

Voluntary Sector

Action for Children
Arthritis Care in Wales
Association for Spina Bifida Hydrocephalus (ASBAH)
Association for the Welfare of Children in Hospital
Autism Cymru
Barnardo's Cymru
Bobath Children's Therapy Centre Wales
Breastfeeding Network
British Heart Foundation Cymru
British Institute of Learning Disabilities
British Orthopaedic Association
Carers Wales
Centre for Help & Advice for the Disabled
Changing Faces
Children in Wales
Chwarae Teg
Citizens Advice Cymru
CLIC Sargent
Contact a Family
Crossroads Caring for Carers
Cystic Fibrosis Trust
Deaf Association Wales
Diabetes Wales
Disabled Children Matter
Disability Wales
Downs Syndrome Association
Epilepsy Action
Joseph Rowntree Foundation
Learning Disability Wales
Macmillan Cancer Support
Mencap Cymru
Merched y Wawr
Mind Cymru
Mothers' Union in Wales
Motor Neurone Disease Association
MS Society Wales
Mudiad Ysgolion Meithrin
National Autistic Society
National Childbirth Trust
National Deaf Children's Society
National Federation of Women's Institutes

NSPCC
Parents' Federation
RNIB Cymru
RNID Cymru
Rhieni Dros Addysg Gymraeg
Save the Children
Scope Cymru
SNAP Cymru
Stonewall Cymru
Stroke Association Wales
UK Disabled People's Council
Wales Carers Alliance
Wales Council for the Blind
Wales Council for Deaf People
Wales Pre-school Providers Association
Welsh Paediatric Society

Trade Unions

Association of Teachers and Lecturers
NAHT Cymru
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Flying Start Co-ordinators