

Policy into Practice

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I will cover

What do we mean by policy

ABPN policy activity

You as an influencer

Possible challenges

What do we mean by health policy?

Some definitions (there are more!)

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Vision to
reality (Issue
to Policy)

Issue

Manifesto

Policy

- Green Paper
- White Paper
- Legislation

The health policy context in England

CHANGE
NHS

**Help build a
health service
fit for the future**

What does it
mean for
children?



Policy focus (children

Health inequalities

Public health (prevention)

Mental Health focus

Workforce

Move from hospital to community

What Influences Policy?

People (individuals; organisations)

Current issues
(global/national/local)

All Party Parliamentary Groups

Professional documents e.g. RCPCH

NICE Quality Standards

Media



Developing
ABPN Policy

ABPN Policy Focus

Governance & Development Group

Policy Development Working Group

Membership/Awareness Raising Working Group

Communications Working Group

Developing ABPN Policy Statements

ASSISTED DYING

Background Paper
Position Statement

CYP RIGHTS

Background Paper
Position Statement

POVERTY

Background Paper
Position Statement

LORD DARZI'S REVIEW

Background Paper
Position Statement

NHS CONSULTATION



What next?

H A N G E
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Remember

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5000 words –
what do we
say – what do
we need?

CYP Nurse
Education

Workforce:
numbers/recruitment/
retention/returners

Hospital

Community

Prevention: Physical
Health? Mental
Health?

Partnerships?

850 words –
make the
most of the
words

Refer to existing documents (they can be added as extra) – pull out the key point

It is a consultation, not an academic paper

Use repetition to emphasise point, don't use it thoughtlessly

Clarify key words at the beginning – e.g. child

Use abbreviations – e.g. ABPN instead of Association of British Paediatric Nurses (1 word vs 4).

You – as an influencer

Who are
you?



Politician

Person

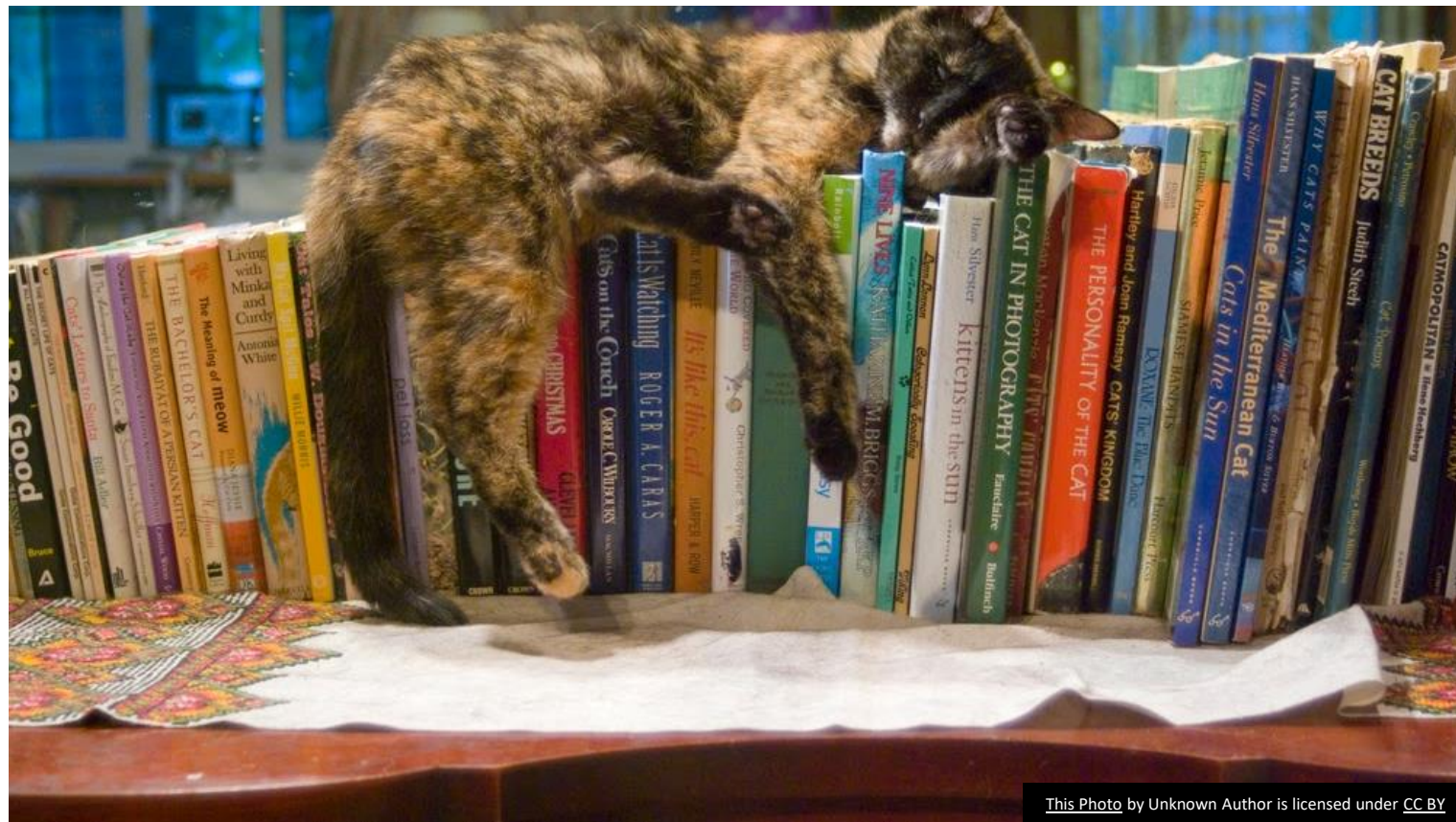
Professional




What matters to
you?

- Is there existing policy?
- Who else cares about this?

Finding the policy



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Decide
what is
relevant



Maximise the benefits

Speak

Speak the language – use the buzz words

Focus

Focus on the similarities – don't assume exclusion

Network

Strength in numbers – work in partnership/networks; network across networks

Don't

Don't rely on one person

Find

Find shortcuts – subscribe to updates; keyword searches

Think

Think outside the health box

Turning policy into practice

Policy, principles & practical applications (levers)

Identify the vision for service development

A clear understanding of what the issue is

Analysis of need; real time data; info; trend; quality; feedback from parents and carers

Clarity about clinical leadership/workforce for CYP services: access to specialist advice/nursing remit; others

Place of care:
Community
(Home/School;
Hospice;}Hospital

Challenges

Possible challenges

Workforce

A new government

Austerity - finances

Nothing is mandatory!

Localisation

Lack of time and motivation

Competition

Funding

Public opinion

Policy Challenge

Remember:

- The range of services involved in CYP care
- The impact of the broad range of policies on children's care and children/family lives
- The similarities and differences between children and adults' care
- Your power

What are your
priorities?

Any comments

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