

Islington Community



New integrated Children and Young People Social, Emotional and Mental Health Services

The Countdown is On!

Islington CCG and LBI are delighted to announce that from 30th September 2019, we will be integrating our Social, Emotional and Mental Health Services (SEMh) within a Central Point of Access, based at 222 Upper Street, Islington.

This new arrangement will enable greater access to and choice of, and reduce the waiting times for Children and Young People to be supported in emotional wellbeing and mental health provision.

The move follows an extensive period of engagement and collaboration with local young people, families and local partners about how we can make sure more children and young people get the social, emotional and mental health services they need more quickly.

What will this mean for referrals into social, emotional and mental health services?

From 30th September 2019, all referrals into the Central Point of Access will first receive safeguarding screening by Children's Services Contact Team, before being passed on to the most appropriate service, as identified by a multi-agency partnership intake team.

Social, emotional and mental health services include:

- Emotional Wellbeing Services including Barnardo's, The Brandon Centre, Targeted Youth Support Counselling Service and Isledon Wellbeing Service
- Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)
- Early Help Services including Bright Start, Families First, IFIT, AMASS and Targeted Youth Support
- Social Prescription - Third Sector Universal Services and Digital Provision

- Social Care

Referrals can be easily made using the Children’s Services SEMH Request for Service form which can be found on EMIS or online at <https://www.islington.gov.uk/children-and-families/worried-about-a-child>.

Alternatively, you can call the Central Point of Access on 0207 527 3355

Further details can also be found on the CAMHS website <http://islingtoncamhs.whittington.nhs.uk>

Direct referral pathways into CAMHS in schools and children centres remain in place.

