

Regulation 44
network
June 14th 2021

Updates- Pandemic
16-18 provision



Pandemic/Covid 19 update

- R rate
 - 1.2-1.4 England. (1.4 London , E England.) 1.5 North West
 - Vaccination- 55.9% total of the adult population had two doses
 - Need 68-70%
 - Cases up by 52.5%
 - Delta variant now accounts for 90% of new cases

VACCINATION:

Pfizer licensed for children aged 12-17 years

Ethical dynamic – survey of 7 countries indicates 2 child deaths per million of population. Do we vaccinate children to protect adults?

Inspection themes :

- voice of the child
- journey of the child in the provision
- safeguarding
- progress and impact of the pandemic for young people and staff welfare
- supervision and its' role
- health and safety - kept up to date during the pandemic?



16-18 provision – consultation

- This consultation invites views on:
- the key indicators of whether a provider is delivering ‘care’ or ‘support’
- how best to define this provision in future and whether ‘supported accommodation for older children’ is the best descriptor
- what the best provision in this sector looks like and therefore what needs to be accounted for in new national standards
- a proposed suite of national standards
- how settings should be regulated by Ofsted

Key elements

- Four standards not nine as in the children's home standards:
 - Leadership and management
 - Protection
 - Accommodation
 - Support
- Regulation:
 - Distinguishing between “care “ and “support”
 - Individual service registration
 - Provider wide registration
 - Another way?

Key elements:

- Queries- unlikely any standards for :
 - Care
 - Health
 - Education
 - Relationships
- Name-“supported accommodation”?
- Legal challenge by Article 39 (children’s rights charity)
- Risk of movement of children aged 16 to this provision – based on cost?
- Stringency of regulation dependent on service registration or provider wide registration?
- Capacity issue going forward-length of time to register?

Key elements:

- Single set of standards with subset for children over the age of 16 years- ? Added to the Children's Homes regs and standards (Article 39)
- Any thoughts???
- Closes July 19th 2021

