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So What About Us?

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CHAS



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- Scotland's only children's hospice service
- Geographic spread - 12 sites
- Two hospices
- CHAS at home
- Care provided
- CHAS team:
 - 232 Staff, 820 Volunteers
- Young adults - transitions

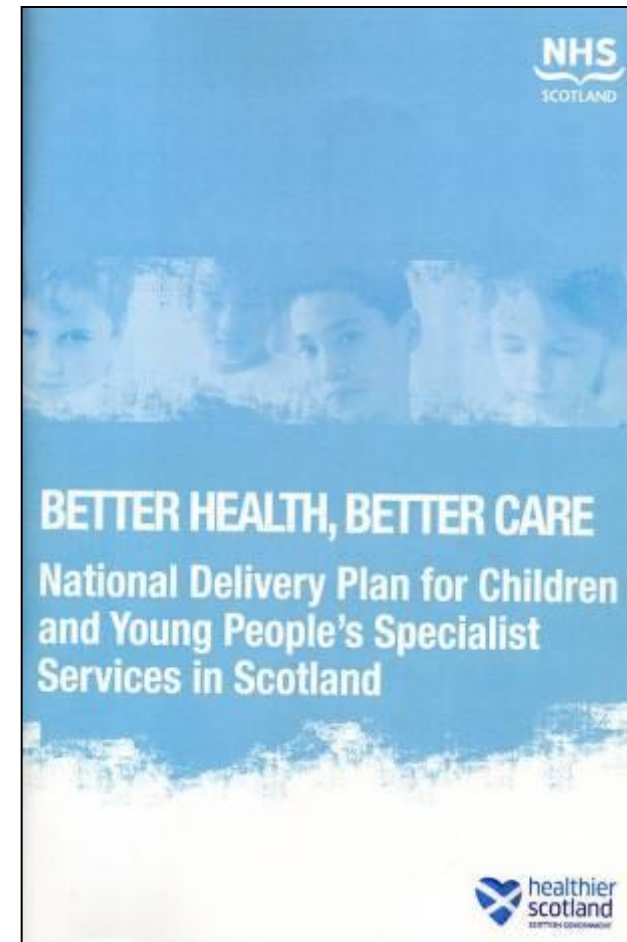
Scottish Policy Context



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- Getting it Right for Every Child
- Better Health Better Care 2007
- Delivering a Healthy Future 2007
- Living and Dying Well
- Report of National Review of Services for Disabled Children 2011



Conclusions



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- Young people are young people first
- Current services falling short
- Lack of other provision
- “One size won’t fit all”
- Clear role for CHAS
- Specialist age appropriate care/support
- Enabling and empowering
- Aspirations: relationships, sex, independence, control

Implementing Findings



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- Young Adult Council formed
 - Reviewing service provision
 - Recommendations to board

- Internal working group
 - Mapping current service
 - Assessing current service provision

- Identified external organisations
 - Exploration of partnerships

Current Approach



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- Short planned breaks
- Community group sessions
- Pain/symptom management
- Emergency care
- CHAS at Home
- Social work support
- Volunteer peer befrienders
- Partnerships
- Raising awareness

Raising awareness



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- CHAS Seminar
 - our challenge to others

- Others' challenge to us
 - International perspective
 - When is life limited not life limiting?
 - Focusing on the future
 - Fostering dependence or independence
 - Improving or inhibiting quality of life

Why partnerships?



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- Meeting everyone's needs
- Delivering choice
- Individually tailored care options
- Delivering services closer to home
- Complementary skills and expertise
- New and innovative projects

Experience so far



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- Adult hospices
 - Opportunities and challenges
- Capability Scotland
 - Short planned breaks
- Discussions with Marie Curie
 - Exploring pilot project



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“Small numbers – huge need,
cruel and arbitrary division of
services.”

Marsh, S. et al (2011)

***Executive Summary of Phase 1 report for
Marie Curie Cancer Care***



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