

CAF Discussion - Summary of key points

1. **Information systems** – need to be able to talk to each other IT – links with health systems – *parallel processes – there are national discussions about IT systems – note very complex issues – not quick to solve*
2. **Training** – how important to have consistency between agencies/areas? *Need minimum agreed standards between neighbouring agencies – across region*
3. **Common form** – but not common to all agencies – why not a national framework? *Agreed there are consistency issues – need enough nationally but also local discretion*
4. **Need to address culture** – essential for CAF implementation – complex process – *not shown in slides – see article in 0-19 mag – outcome from some trials was that it was the wrong time – pastoral support plan at odds! -*
5. **Difference between completing CAF** – more challenging is getting resources – *agreed – it IS complex -*
6. **Funding** – after 4/06 – what next?
7. **Is there any authority NOT interested in joining a regional process???! -** *comment – need to have a national approach to families which move*
8. **Teachers** – teaching and learning responsibility points – remodelling schools workforce – how does this fit? – *take issue that schools WP not consistent – ECM signalled in WP and new inspection framework, extended schools – distinction between schools being engaged and individual teachers – not necessary to add burden to teaching role – comment need teachers to be able to complete CAF when appropriate*
9. **Will more autonomous schools make it more difficult to get consistency?**
10. **Voluntary sector** – how involve? – *important for vol sector to be proactive and for local councils to involve them*