

Directorate for People – Children Services - Publication of Equality Analyses 2013 – 2014

What is an equality analysis?

Equality analysis is a requirement of the public sector equality duty under the **Equality Act 2010**. It is a way of considering the effect of decisions, policies, plans and services on different groups protected from discrimination. For example people of differing age and gender.

As a result of completing analyses, it is sought to remove or reduce any risks of adverse outcomes identified on: employees, service users or other people who share protected characteristics.

Completing equality analyses involves using a range of information some of which is the result of consultation and engagement activity with protected groups and others. This assists understanding of the actual effect or the potential effect of implementing a change to a plan, policy or other decision. It can help to identify practical steps to tackle any negative impacts and to advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations between people.

Below is a cross section of equality analyses at initial and final stage completed within this Directorate to support its business decision-making function.

It supports the Directorate`s understanding of public sector organisations` s duty to make equality analyses accessible to the public under the Equality Act 2010, General Equality Duty.

The General Equality Duty consists of three aims (sometimes referred to as arms). It is a legal obligation to be fulfilled by public services and those to whom they sub-contract a service.

Compliance should result in better informed decision-making, business planning, policy development and better policy outcomes. Overall compliance can lead to more appropriate, effective, responsive and cost effective services, for users, staff and the wider community.

Public Authorities subject to the General Equality Duty must, in the exercise of their functions have due regard to the need to:

- [Eliminate unlawful discrimination](#), harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act.
- [Advance equality of opportunity](#) between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.
- [Foster good relations](#) between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.

This Grid and equality analyses will be updated on an ongoing basis.

✓= Represents where a stage 1 equality analysis and or stage 2 equality assessment has been completed.

Equality Analysis: Initial and Stage 2 Equality Assessments for 2013

Title of Equality Assessment	Initial Screening Completed	Stage 2 Equality Analyses Completed	Completion Date
CAMHS	✓	✓	08.04.2013
Children Centres (proposed reduction in budget for 2013/14)	✓		13.02.2013
City Serve	✓		13.12.2013
Contact Service	✓	✓	11.06.2013
Customer First	✓	✓	15.04.2013
Disabled Children`s Social Care	✓		21.01.2013
Early Years (Reduction in Budget 2013-2014)	✓		18.11.2013
Early Years Childcare Sufficiency, Quality, Access and Inclusion Funding	✓		30.01.2013
Early Years Entitlement	✓		12.12.2013
Fostering Service	✓		02.02.2012

Home to School Transport	✓	✓	11.07.2013
Hospital Social Work Service	✓		21.01.2013
Professional Support Service (PSS)	✓	✓	20.03.2013
Remodelling and Integration of Preventative and Targeted Services	✓		23.03.2013
School Admissions and Pupil Placements Service Review	✓		09.01.2013
School and Governor Support Service Review	✓		07.03.2013
SEN Parent Partnership	✓	✓	19.08.2013
Teenage Pregnancy	✓		20.02.2013
YOS (Youth Offending Service)	✓	✓	14.01.2013

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Equality Assessment	Initial Screening Completed	Stage 2 Equality Assessment Completed	Completion Date
CityServe (Direct Services)	✓		29.04.2014
Merge Commissioning across Adults & Communities and CYPF	✓		16.12.2013
Outdoor Learning Service	✓	✓	03.03.2014
Schools and Settings Improvement Remodelling	✓	✓	23.03.2014
Support Services Reduction in staffing and non-staffing budgets	✓		26.04.2013