

# Dudley CAMHS GP Liaison Service

If you would like further information regarding the GP Liaison Service please contact Grace Carpenter, GP Liaison Lead at the Elms Health Centre on 01394 324689.

## Who we are?

The 'Future in Mind' report, published in May 2015, required that Clinical Commissioning Groups prepare a CAMHS Local Transformation Plan (LTP) which, following assurance by NHS England, released additional funding for local CAMHS services.

Dudley CCG has invested in a wide range of services to improve emotional health and wellbeing of children and young people in Dudley over the last two years to improve pathways into CAMHS .

Additional funding, for 2017-18, made it possible to commission a **GP Liaison Team** to support GPs in the Dudley borough. The GP Liaison team consists of a GP Liaison Lead and a GP Liaison.



## What we do?

The GP Liaison team go out to GP practices once a month and offer a triage service. They meet with young people and their families at the GP practice, as requested by the GP, and discuss the needs of the young person. Together with the young person and family they then offer advice and decide on the best support for the young person, whether this is CAMHS, positive steps, or other services available such as counselling, educational psychology.

The GP Liaison team are also available for GP's to call or email should they want any advice regarding a young person.



## Phase one of the service

The GP Liaison service is currently being piloted with up to 20 GP Surgeries in the Dudley borough. This will then be re-viewed after approximately 6 months; we will then submit a proposal to the CCG for additional funding to expand the service to all practices.

