



**How evidence based  
commissioning  
achieves better  
outcomes and  
transforms services**

# What is Commissioning?

'Commissioning is the process for deciding how to use the **total resource** available for children, young people and parents and carers in order **to improve outcomes** in the most **efficient, effective, equitable** and **sustainable** way.'



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## Local resources for children's system

- Finance
- Workforce
- Service providers
- Capital
- Community
- Co-production

Commissioning is the most efficient, effective, equitable and sustainable route

## Outcomes for local children and young people

- Be healthy
- Stay safe
- Enjoy and achieve
- Positive contribution
- Economic well-being

# Good commissioning relies on intelligent use of good evidence

## Review

User panels

Evaluations

Are you able to measure impact?

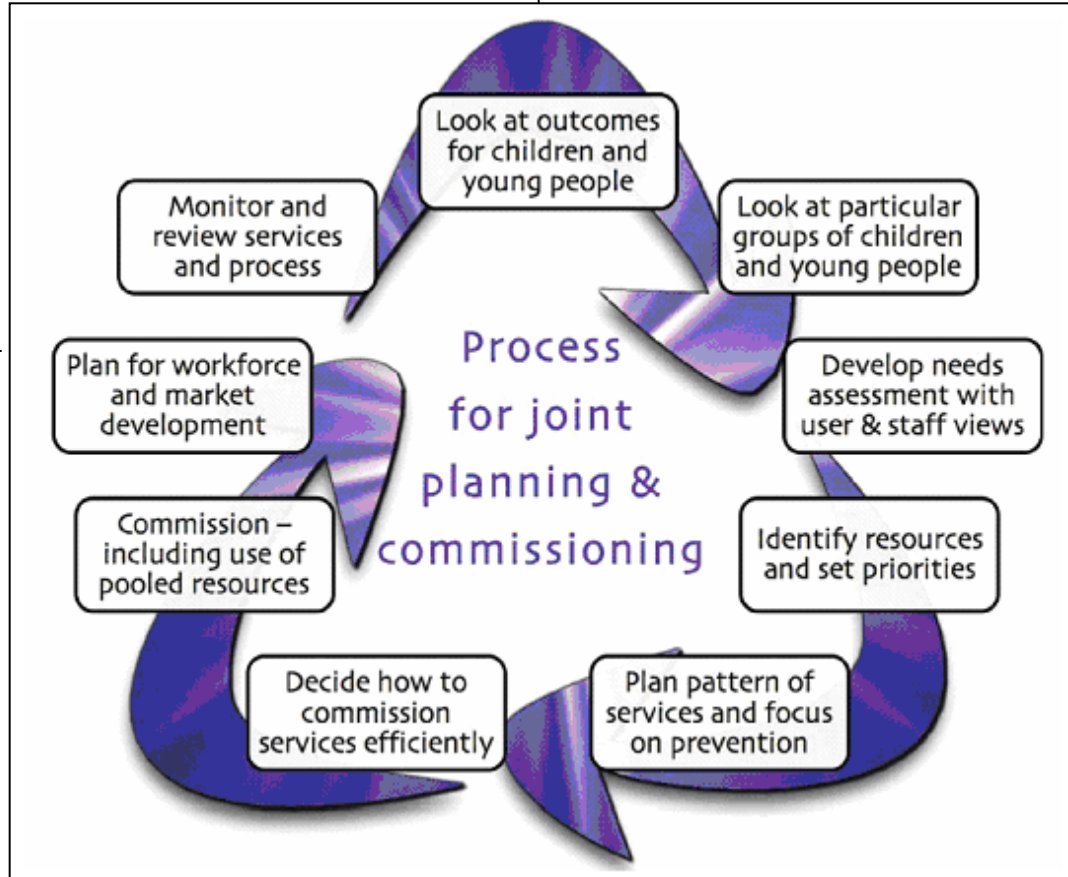
Indicators not enough

Co-production

What works?

Which provider(s) will achieve the outcomes you need and want?

## Do



## Understand

Existing user/carer surveys

Whole system events

CAFs, JSNA

Share information

Collaboration between practitioners

Integrated design

Open space

Open minds

Continuous focus on improvement

## Plan

# Some examples..

- High referrals to CAMHS tier 3 from one particular school. Ed Psych trained staff in recognition and range of treatment – much more appropriate referrals followed
- Free travel for 14-19 year olds on Friday and Saturday night to help them access positive activities
- Regional contracting of residential placements for looked after children offers more choice, better fit to needs and greater buying power
- Youth centres now in the right place and able to make a difference
- Individual budgets for young people about to be dependent on adult services achieved smoother transitions, better coordinated services and better understanding of role of schools and peer support

