

North West Regional Innovation & Improvement Alliance Overview

May 2021

Introduction to North West ADCS

North West Regional Innovation & Improvement Alliance Memorandum of Understanding

Sets out shared aims of the Regional Innovation & Improvement Alliance to work together in:

- Securing a journey of **continuous improvement** to achieve the best possible outcomes for children and young people
- Building on existing capability in Children's Services, corporately and with partners, to **identify good practice, improvement challenges and risks to performance.**
- Systematically **sharing knowledge about what works** across the sector and ensuring that there is effective brokerage of good practice solutions.

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Regional Innovation & Improvement Alliance Pledge

Memorandum of Understanding outlines commitments of Directors of Children's Services to:

- Submit both annual and quarterly data from their Local Authority
- Complete an annual self-assessment approved by Chief Executive and Lead Member
- Participate fully in annual two-day Peer Challenge Forum process
- Prepare a Development Plan annually
- Engage regularly with peers, including by ensuring appropriate representation at NWADCS and its sub groups
- Share good practice through the NWADCS Directory of Support and Better for Children seminars

North West Sector Led Improvement Board

Chair David Parr, Chief Executive, Halton

NWADCS

Chair: Paul Marshall, DCS, Manchester

Vice Chair: Chris McLoughlin, DCS, Stockport

Vice Chair: Jayne Ivory, DCS, Blackburn with Darwen

Local Government Association

Linda Clegg, Children's Services Improvement Adviser

Innovation & Improvement Alliance Chairs

Bernie Brown, DCS, Bolton

Amanda Amesbury/Paula Worthington, Directors, Warrington

Portfolio Holders for Children's Services

Cllr John Walsh, Salford

Cllr Julie Gunn, Blackburn with Darwen

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(Chair, Bernie Brown, DCS, Bolton)

- **Bolton**
- Bury
- Cheshire East
- Cumbria
- Knowsley
- Lancashire
- Salford
- St Helens

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- **Stockport**
- Blackpool
- Cheshire West and Chester
- Halton
- Rochdale
- Sefton
- Tameside

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- **Warrington**
- Blackburn with Darwen
- Liverpool
- Manchester
- Oldham
- Trafford
- Wigan
- Wirral

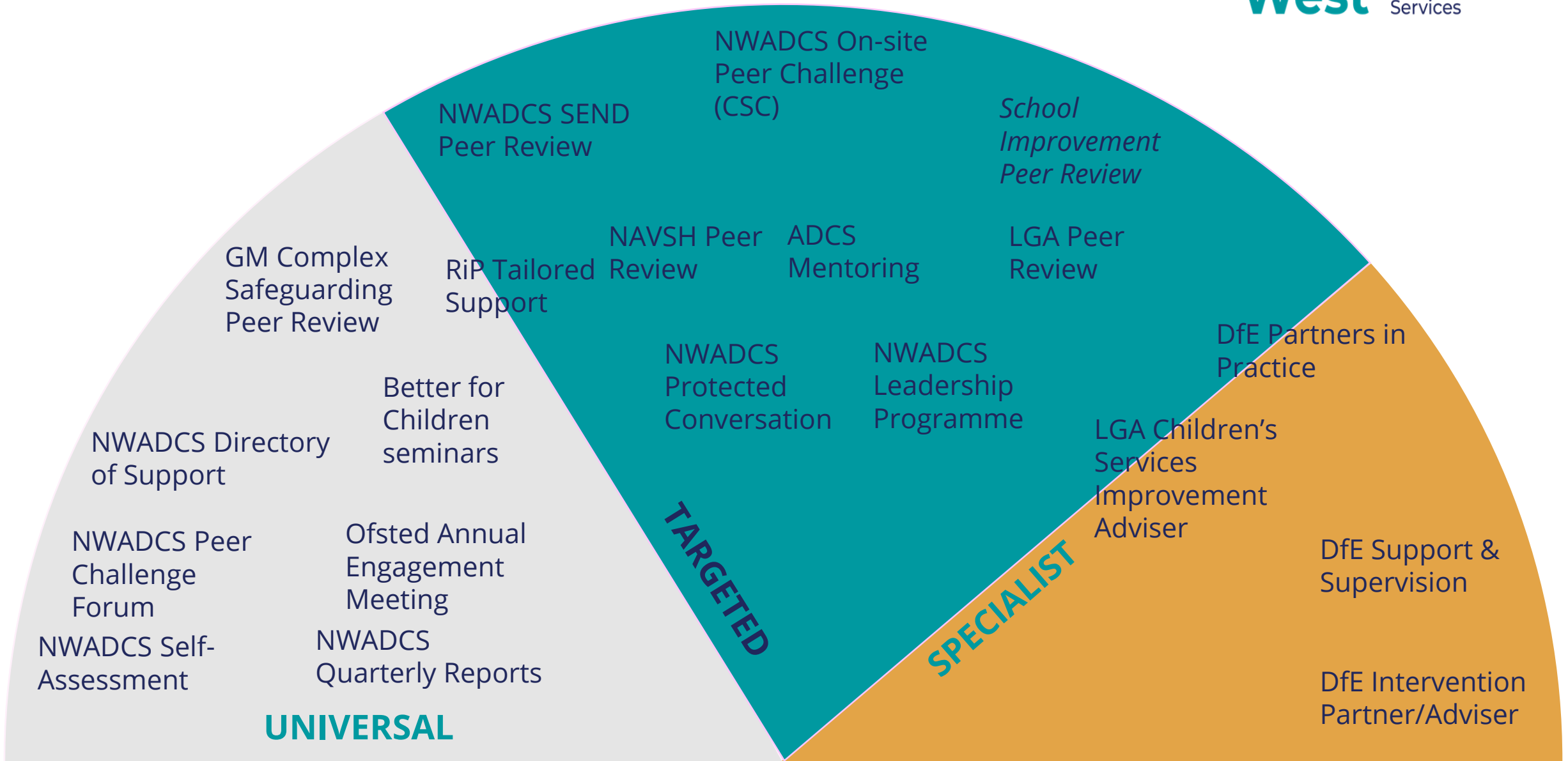
North West ADCS Priorities

A succinct set of priorities for 2021-22

Priorities which reflect continuity of purpose, and lead recovery from the pandemic to secure positive change

- Education & Early Years – co-ordinate an approach to learning recovery which enables **an inclusive education system which supports all children and young people** to attend and achieve
- Children's Social Care - creating the conditions for **purposeful practice which promotes stability and permanence** especially for Looked After Children
- Special Educational Needs/Disability – capitalise on opportunities to 'reset' multi-agency support to **improve the experiences of children with SEND**
- Leadership - supporting **a resilient future for Children's Services leaders** at all levels

Continuum of Challenge and Support



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