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The government is expanding access to mental health care for children and young people in schools. The Swindon Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) has been awarded £2.3 million by NHS England (NHSE) to deliver on the Trailblazer Mental Health Support Teams (MHSTs) until 2020/21, with Barnardo's as lead provider working with other providers. There will be no reduction in investment to existing mental health services in Swindon.

This is an exciting opportunity for Swindon to be part of a national development to pilot new approaches to meeting children's emotional and wellbeing and mental health needs in schools.

MHSTs will be working with children and young people with mild to moderate mental health and emotional wellbeing issues, such as anxiety, behavioural difficulties or friendship issues, as well as providing help to staff within a school and college setting. The Trailblazer pilot will comprise of three MHST cluster teams across Swindon and will act as a link with local children and young people's mental health services. Forty Schools including two colleges were nominated based on the most deprived areas and high percentage of free school meals in Swindon.

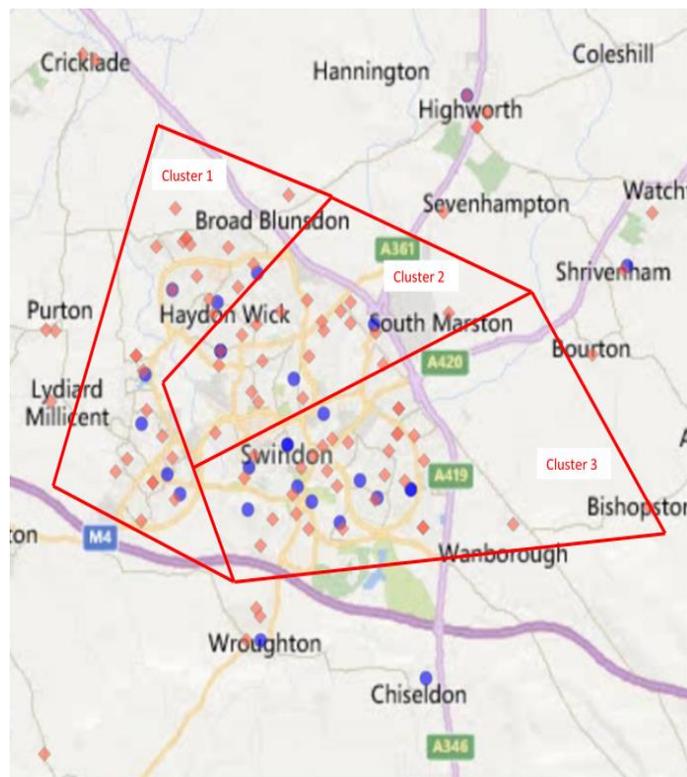


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Swindon Trailblazer Schools

The Swindon Trailblazer pilot will have three cluster Mental Health Support Teams associated to groups of 10-15 schools across Swindon.

Swindon MHST Map of Cluster Teams



We will continue to send regular updates to keep you informed with progress of the pilot. If you have any questions about the Trailblazer programme or would like any information, please feel free to contact the Trailblazer Barnardo's Team on **01793 957904** or go to <https://www.swindonccg.nhs.uk/your-health/mental-health-in-schools> or alternatively email: SWICCG.TrailBlazer@swindonccg.nhs.uk

Swindon Trailblazer Schools MHST's

The schools in each Mental Health Support Team across Swindon

MHST 1

- ❖ Abbey Park Academy
- ❖ Great Western Academy
- ❖ Lydiard Park Academy
- ❖ Highworth Warneford School
- ❖ Tregoze Primary School
- ❖ Peatmoor Primary School
- ❖ Oakhurst Community Primary School
- ❖ Tadpole Farm CE Primary Academy
- ❖ Red Oaks Primary School
- ❖ Orchid Vale Primary School
- ❖ Haydon Wick Primary School
- ❖ Abbey Meads Community Primary School

MHST 2

- ❖ Kingsdown School
- ❖ Nova Hreod Academy
- ❖ Swindon Academy
- ❖ St Lukes Academy
- ❖ Moredon Primary School
- ❖ Rodbourne Cheney School
- ❖ Swindon Academy
- ❖ Sevenfields Primary School
- ❖ Beechcroft Infants School
- ❖ Ruskin Junior School
- ❖ Ferndale Primary School
- ❖ Even Swindon Primary School
- ❖ Gorse Hill School
- ❖ Grange Junior School

MHST 3

- ❖ Lawn Manor Academy
- ❖ Dorcan Academy
- ❖ The Commonweal School
- ❖ Swindon College
- ❖ New College
- ❖ Robert Le Kyng Primary School
- ❖ East Wichel Primary School
- ❖ Drove Primary School
- ❖ Mountford Manor Primary School
- ❖ Lainesmead Primary School
- ❖ Oaktree Primary School
- ❖ Goddard Park Primary School
- ❖ Eldene Primary School
- ❖ Liden Primary School

What's happening now in Swindon

Educational Mental Health Practitioners (EMHPs) have been working in five secondary schools since April 2019. As of September 2019, EMHPs will be working with a further ten Primary Schools and schools will be in touch with families/parents/carers with regards to referring Children & Young People into the Trailblazer with an option of self-referral/parent/carer referral as we move forward with the pilot. EMHPs will start working with the remaining twenty-five Secondary and Primary Schools within the pilot in January 2020.

A key part of this pilot programme will be to involve children/young people and their families to play a part in developing and shaping the service. We are working in collaboration with Swindon STEP and Swindon SEND Families Voice to support this. Further opportunities will be provided for children/young people and families accessing the MHSTs to provide feedback and continue to help shape the design, delivery and evaluation of the MHSTs service in schools.

Please keep an eye out for future communication.