



# Children and Young People's Health Equity Collaborative

Join our:  
**3 year**  
programme to tackle  
health inequalities  
among children and  
young people

**Our 3-year programme will collaborate with Integrated Care Systems (ICSs) to understand, measure and address health inequalities among children and young people. Barnardo's is partnering with the UCL Institute of Health Equity (IHE), set up by Professor Sir Michael Marmot in 2011, leading the way to develop approaches to tackle inequities in health.**

IHE build on their work developing Marmot cities and supporting NHS England's ICS health inequalities programme. We will establish a Children and Young People's Health Equity Framework as a live tool to measure and effect the contribution of VCSE and wider statutory partners as important contributors to ICS programmes.

We are seeking to partner with 3 ICSs through an Application process with whom to co-design this innovative framework and develop an approach of measurement and testing the resulting intervention to address an identified indicator.

By year  
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We will be using and iterating our framework tool, and will use the data to co-design an intervention to meet the needs of children and young people and evidence impact against one of the framework indicators.

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The data we have collected will enable ICSs to enhance understanding of gaps and areas of need, leading to an evidence-based pilot project co-designed with the VCSE sector and children, young people, and families to reduce health inequalities and improve outcomes. Through the project, we will create a new data platform for Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE) organisations to be able to share data with ICSs. This platform will be integrated within existing ICS data systems.



### Successful ICSs will provide:

- A commitment to the Collaborative's core values of addressing health inequalities, openness, transparency, learning, sharing, and improving outcomes for children and young people.
- Provide a 3-year commitment from January 2023 until January 2026. with senior leadership attendance at quarterly steering group meetings, chaired by Sir Michael Marmot, three hours per month of programme management resource as well as dedicated ICS data analyst.
- To participate in the 3-year evaluation led by IHE, include capturing annual qualitative and quantitative data.
- Establish data governance and enable data access and support the development of a dynamic measurement tool to enhance children and young people health intelligence.

### Benefits to Integrated Care Systems:

- To improve outcomes for children and young people.
- The opportunity to work with a dynamic partnership which will position ICSs at the vanguard of change with a leading international light/thought leader on inequalities and the UK's largest children's charity.
- To better understand local gaps and needs.
- To address childhood health inequalities and wider determinants and develop interventions against specific indicators.
- To lead best practice across all ICSs for children and young people.
- To meet the NHS England's ICS health inequalities reporting requirements.

- To influence national policy in partnership with the UK's leading children charity, Barnardo's and the Institute of Health Equity (IHE).
- To gain insights from other ICSs leading this work.
- To work alongside Sir Michael Marmot in shaping health inequality frameworks for children and young people.
- To utilise VCSE data systematically to understand hidden needs.
- To engage in a unique collaborative, whole systems project that addresses the holistic health and social care needs of children and young people.

### Our timeline for identifying ICSs

#### September 2022

**01/09/22:** Launch the Children and Young People's Health Equity Collaborative application process for ICSs.

#### November 2022

**w/c 14-25/11/22:** Partnership conversations held with ICSs.

#### December 2022

**w/c 12-16/12/22:** ICSs invited to final interview stage.

**19/12/22:** Final 3 ICSs announced.

#### January 2023

**20/01/23:** Finalise partnership agreements.

**w/c 23/01/23:** First quarterly steering group with Prof Sir Michael Marmot.

Please book your place on the ICS and Partners Stakeholder Engagement Event via Eventbrite: [www.bit.ly/BarnardosCYP](http://www.bit.ly/BarnardosCYP)

To learn more about the collaboration and how to apply, visit:  
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