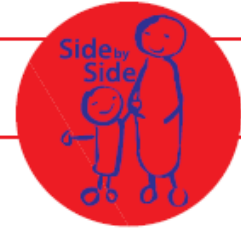


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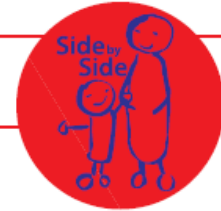
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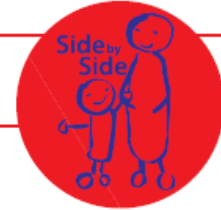


Established in late 2006 to look at  
access to and delivery of Parenting  
Programmes in L/W

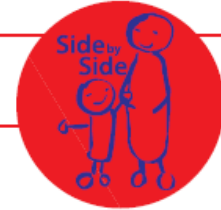
Terms of reference agreed



- Literature review of evidence based programmes
- Triple P Parenting Programme identified as most appropriate due to the evidence base
- Members decided to pursue from within own resources – each organization funded own personnel
- Agreed to train practitioners in Teen and 0-12
- Some training delivery commenced 2007 and some programmes available
- Review in 2008 and identified a number of factors which were limiting progress
- Identified the need for a more cohesive approach to set up a stand alone project with Partnership commitment



- Training commenced in March 2010
- Dedicated team in place September 2010
- Programme delivery for the purposes of Research commenced September 2010

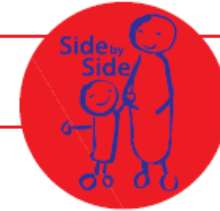


## Needs based service

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Evolving into a needs based, demand led service informed by the consumer.



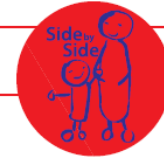


Soft issue?

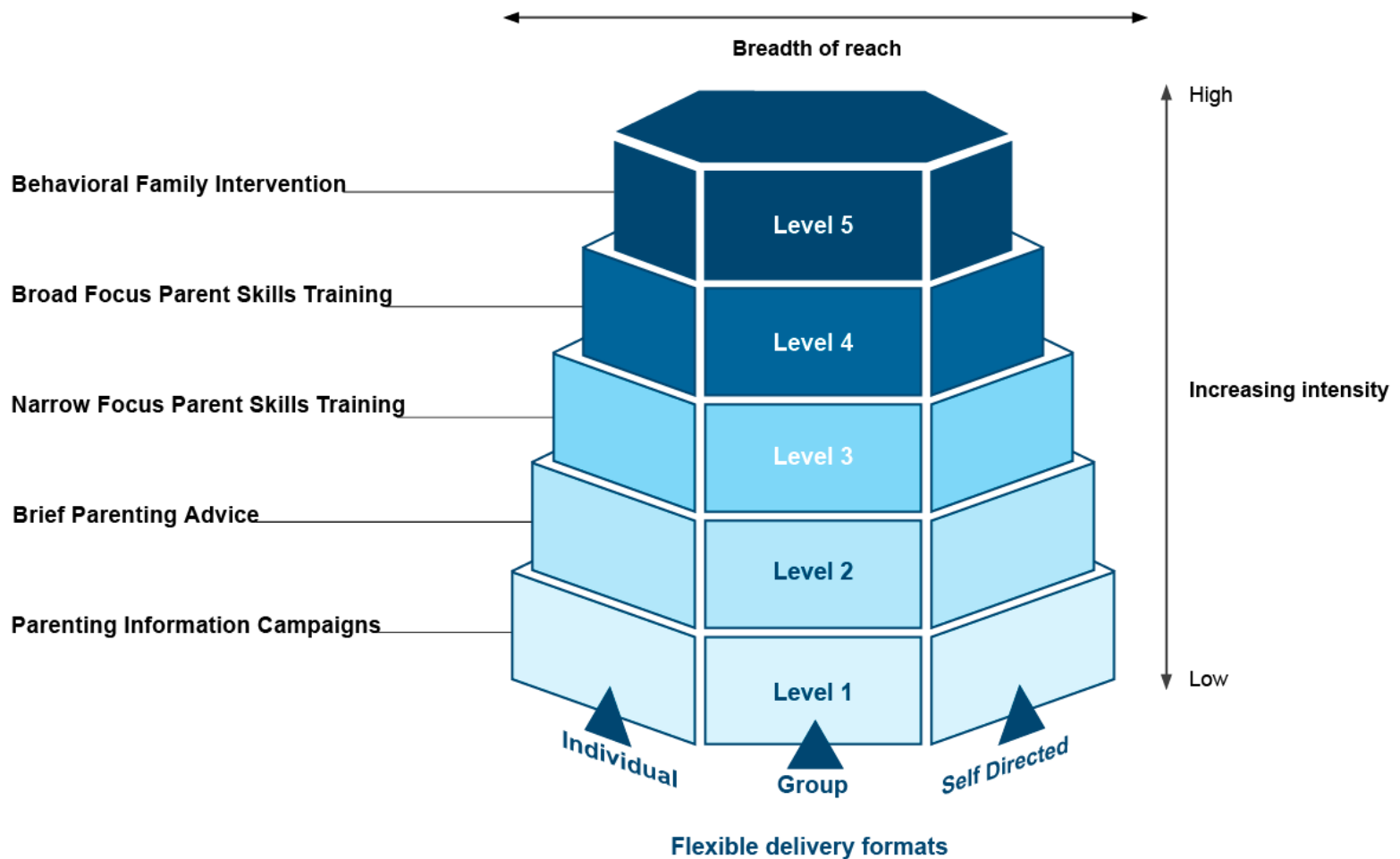
Core business?

Won't work here!

These were some of the issues/challenges that the partnership had to address on an ongoing basis.



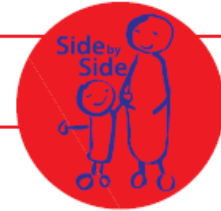
# Multi-level model of Triple P



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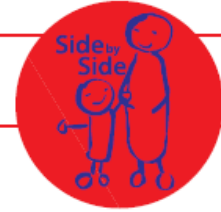
### Operational structure

- Core Team / existing HSE staff.
- Partnership resources, staff time.
- Venues, access, contacts, good name.
- Mentoring of partnership staff.

Co-delivery.



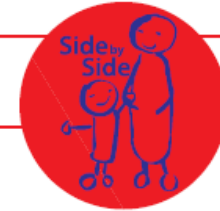




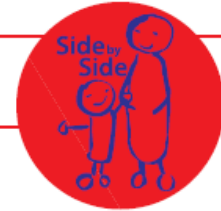
So Far So Good.....

But so far no formal structure in place.

So.....



- **Foundation for Partnership comes from MoU.**
  - It provides direction focus and basis for evaluating and adapted the chosen strategy.
  - It provides clarifies core questions :
    - As a partnership what is your function?
    - Why is your organisation involved? Must fit to core work rather than it's a good idea.
    - What are your commitments?
    - What principals does this group agree to operate by?
    - What is your stated goal, what is your agreed achievable goal, within stated available resource, stated time line? How will stated goal be measured?
    - When there is a concern, problem or audit the MoU provides the focus.
    - MoU needs a review structure.



- Evaluation;

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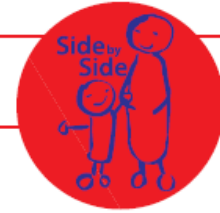
Does it work?

Does it last?

Does it spread?

Ripples within family,  
work force and population.





### Learning about Partnership that has been carried forward to support expansion.

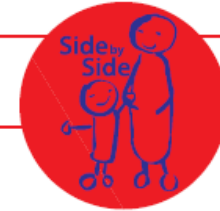
- Partnership can result in increased efficiencies and effectiveness.
- Shared working history is not enough.
- The rationale for involvement must link with core mission of the partner organisation.
- Partnership can be a challenge to current practices.
- Each organisation must be ready for this collaborative process. NB. NB.
- It is not always straight forward but it is worth doing.



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- Partnership has a significant positive impacts upon reach and branding.
- Partnerships can be fragile.
- Partner groups must have a high degree of trust in the management team.
- Better if partnership is a contributing partnership, i.e. actively involved not just reviewing!
- Recognising that external supports are important for successful and objective planning, critical for ongoing review process and linkages which might be out reach! Centre for Effective Services supported and advised the partnership over the past 2 years and continue to do so.
- This Partnership process has successfully resulted in the creation of a new partnership in Laois Offaly to expand programme delivery.