



Donegal CYPSC 2026 ANNUAL PROGRAMME OF WORK

Donegal CYPSC Mission
Donegal Children and Young Persons Services Committee is focused on enhancing the lives of children and young people in Donegal, working to promote integrated planning and service delivery. By fostering partnerships and encouraging active participation from young people, the CYPSC aims to identify needs, address challenges, and create supportive environments that empower children and young people to thrive.

Donegal CYPSC Statement of intent 2026
Donegal CYPSC will implement Year 1 of the CYPSC 2026-2028. Plans and activities are responsive to emerging needs and circumstances as they arise. Donegal CYPSC will continue to make every effort to address emerging needs experienced by children, young people and their families.

National Outcome 1 Active and Healthy, Physical and Mental Wellbeing

CYPSC Priority	Objective	Indicator over 3-year CYPSC period	Action(s)	Please select relevant Healthy Ireland goal if applicable.	Please select relevant Healthy Ireland Outcomes Framework Indicator Set if applicable	Is this action being evaluated?	Lead Agency	Partners	Fund Name
Facilitate interagency collaboration in relation to mental health service development and delivery for infants, children and Young People.	Promote awareness of the Scan U Service among Community and Voluntary Sector, Parents and Young People.	Co design promotional material for distribution amongst Community and Voluntary Sector, Young People and Parents.	To link with the Scan U Service with regards to development of promotional material and a distribution plan.	Increase the proportion of people that are healthy at all stages of life	Preventative Measures	no	HSE	Health & Wellbeing Sub Committee and Scan U Service – HSE	Healthy Ireland Fund
Promote and support inclusion and diversity in services and in communities.	Promoting and supporting communities to reduce racism and discrimination.	Identify key stakeholders and how best to utilise and support them.	Plan and deliver a half day workshop for community and voluntary sector, CYP services and representatives from excluded communities to identify the barriers to inclusion and their resolution.	Reduce health inequalities	Preventative Measures	no	Local Youth and Family Service	Health and Wellbeing Sub Committee, Donegal Intercultural Platform, Donegal Travelers Roma Project.	Healthy Ireland Fund
Develop and support integrated and holistic Health & Wellbeing initiatives.	Provide appropriate support for identified priority groups included but not limited to young carers, new communities, disability, LGBTQI+, Travellers and Roma.	Definitions of each priority group agreed. Numbers in each priority group identified. Priority Group needs identified. Stakeholders identified for each priority group. Supports designed and or in place.	Ensure all Priority Groups are aware of health and wellbeing supports available. Identify barriers and enablers to effective service engagement for each priority group as guided by the CYP Needs Assessment. Determine the specific needs of each priority group through existing documents and primary research.	Reduce health inequalities	Preventative Measures	no	HSE	Local Youth and Family Service, Donegal Youth Service, Donegal Traveller Project, Donegal Youth Council, Jigsaw youth advocate	Healthy Ireland Fund

National Outcome 2 Achieving Full Potential in all Areas of Learning and Development

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Support a multi-agency approach to the educational development of CYP	1. To develop parental/carer awareness of the importance of non-electronic play & reading for CYP	1. Increased reach of READ DL, Off the Shelf and Creating Lifelong Learners Programme	1. Conduct a geographical gap analysis. Develop a plan that aligns and integrates with existing services to address identified gaps.		Wellbeing Factors	no	Donegal Education and Training Board, Atlantic Technical University, Donegal Library Service	HSE, Donegal Education and Training Board, Tusla, Donegal County Childcare Committee, Donegal Library Service, Donegal Youth Service, Foróige, Atlantic Technical University, School Completion	CYPSC Programme Fund
	2. Support new communities in accessing Parent and Toddler Groups	2. Number of families engaged with Parent and Toddler Groups	2. Update and disseminate the 'My Place to Play' Packs to new communities	Increase the proportion of people that are healthy at all stages of life	Wellbeing Factors	no	Donegal County Childcare committee	Tusla, HSE, Donegal County Childcare Committee, Family Resource Centres, Lifestart, Donegal Local Development Company	Healthy Ireland Fund

Parent Hub									
CYPSC Priority	Objective	Indicators over 3 year CYP period	Action (s)						
Identify needs and develop information sessions and supports for parents to meet those identified needs.	Develop and host events and information sessions to support parents and carers		Consult with CYP and consider how they can be involved in the delivery of the plan across all sub-committees	Create an environment where every individual and sector of society can play their part in a HI	Preventative Measures	no	Parent Hub sub group	Parent Hub, Tusla, HSE, Family Resource Centres	CYPSC Parenting Awareness Fund
			Explore how to ensure participation of children age 0 - 5						
	Maintain, manage and update Parent Hub website, Parenting Platform & Social Media presence	Website review ongoing	To provide training to CYPSC members and Chairs and Sub Committee Chairs on newly developed CYPSC CYP guidelines.	Create an environment where every individual and sector of society can play their part in a HI	Wellbeing Factors	no	Parent Hub subgroup	Parent Hub, CYPSC, Lifestart Services, Family Resource Centres	Parenting Participation Seed Funding
		Keeping annual Calander of events up to date							
		All CYPSC events and activities promoted on the CYPSC website and through CYPSC social media	Create relevant content	Reduce health inequalities	Wellbeing Factors	no		Parent Hub, CYPSC	CYPSC Programme Fund
Promote and support the activities of the Parent Support Champions	Parent Support Champions in place and delivering on agreed activities	Parent Support Champions activities identified, and achievements promoted and documented to all stakeholders	Document the planned activities of the Parent Support Champions	Reduce health inequalities	Wellbeing Factors	no	Parent Hub sub group	Parent Hub, CYPSC, Family Resource Centres, Tusla, Donegal County Childcare Committee, Lifestart Services	Healthy Ireland Fund
		Evaluation complete	Activities monitored and evaluated	Reduce health inequalities	Wellbeing Factors	no	Parent hub coordinator	Parent Hub, CYPSC	Healthy Ireland Fund
Support and promote parent and toddler groups	Support existing projects and responding to the needs of all families in Donegal	To work in partnership with Parent and Toddler Groups in Donegal as needed.	Engagement with the parent and toddlers' groups through the dedicated social media page.	Increase the proportion of people that are healthy at all stages of life	Wellbeing Factors	no	Donegal Childcare Committee	Parent hub, CYPSC, Donegal County Childcare Committee, Lifestart Services, Family Resource Centres	CYPSC Programme Fund
		To promote integration in parent and toddler groups through funded agencies, FRC's and statutory organisations.	Responding to request from individual groups for support	Reduce health inequalities	Wellbeing Factors	no	Parent hub coordinator	Parent hub, Donegal County Childcare Committee, Tusla, HSE	CYPSC Programme Fund
			Annual event to celebrate the Parent toddler groups	Reduce health inequalities	Wellbeing Factors	no	Parent hub subgroup	Parent Hub, Donegal County Childcare Committee, HSE, Tusla, Family Resource Centres, Lifestart Services	CYPSC Programme Fund