
“Attainment is an individual’s passport to personal, social, cultural and economic opportunities. Raising attainment means improving life chances. This does not mean just focusing on exam results, but instead looking at attainment in its widest sense. It is this rich attainment which enables all children and young people to make good progress and develop the skills, ambition and know-how they need to improve life chances.”

Raising Attainment – Education Scotland 2012

PKAVS Carers Hub has been awarded funding from Perth and Kinross Council to deliver a new service which supports identified Young Carers who are disengaging with education. The service will define person centred approaches to allow Young Carers to access supports around their education.

Aim of the Project

The purpose of the service is to ensure that Young Carers are given every opportunity to reach their own academic potential.

The project aims to support Young Carers:

- who have poor or erratic school attendance
- who are falling behind academically
- to engage within the school community
- with their wellbeing to enhance their educational experience

Eligibility Criteria

Young Carers must meet the following criteria to be referred into the service:

- have been identified as a Young Carer
- have been identified as having poor/erratic attendance and/or be falling behind academically
- are socially disengaging with school community and peers and at risk of this impacting upon education attainment

This service is open to both Young Carers and Young Adult Carers who are still within education (5-18 Years)

What Supports we can offer?

- Homework Clubs
- Remote Access to Study supports
- Time limited private tuition
- Emotional/Practical support to help with engagement

- Access to Educational Hardware and Software

Who can refer to the Education Attainment Service?

- Teachers
- Guidance
- Parents/Guardians
- Young Carers

Young Carers (18 years or below) are welcome to refer themselves into the service but the referral form must be supported by a Parent/Guardian or School. Where the referral has been submitted on the ground of poor attainment a tracking report must also be attached.

Feedback & Monitoring

There is a requirement on our service to provide monitoring reports to our funders, this also helps to mark the impact of our intervention. Where the referral has been made on ground of attainment or attendance, we will require a copy of the Young Carer's tracking report before we begin any work and an update initially after 6 weeks. This will help us monitor whether the service is having an impact and whether it needs to continue.

Where the referral has been made on the basis of wellbeing and engagement, we will require a short-written statement from the Young Carer's Teacher/Guidance Teacher on how the Young Carer is presenting at the time of referral.

If you have any questions or would like to make a referral, please contact:

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