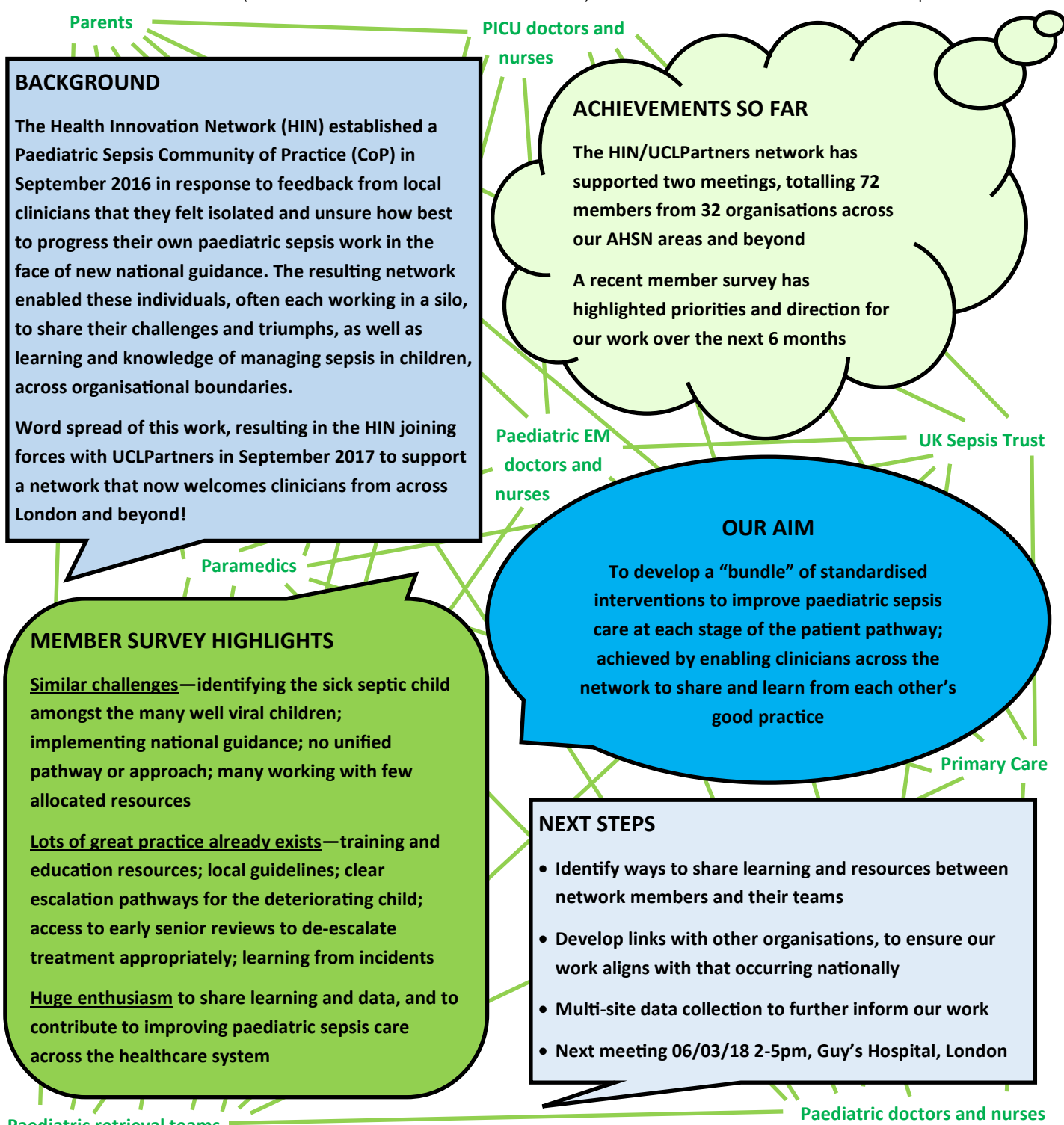


Starting a conversation across organisational boundaries to improve paediatric sepsis care: a Community of Practice approach

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BACKGROUND

The Health Innovation Network (HIN) established a Paediatric Sepsis Community of Practice (CoP) in September 2016 in response to feedback from local clinicians that they felt isolated and unsure how best to progress their own paediatric sepsis work in the face of new national guidance. The resulting network enabled these individuals, often each working in a silo, to share their challenges and triumphs, as well as learning and knowledge of managing sepsis in children, across organisational boundaries.

Word spread of this work, resulting in the HIN joining forces with UCLPartners in September 2017 to support a network that now welcomes clinicians from across London and beyond!

ACHIEVEMENTS SO FAR

The HIN/UCLPartners network has supported two meetings, totalling 72 members from 32 organisations across our AHSN areas and beyond

A recent member survey has highlighted priorities and direction for our work over the next 6 months

MEMBER SURVEY HIGHLIGHTS

Similar challenges—identifying the sick septic child amongst the many well viral children; implementing national guidance; no unified pathway or approach; many working with few allocated resources

Lots of great practice already exists—training and education resources; local guidelines; clear escalation pathways for the deteriorating child; access to early senior reviews to de-escalate treatment appropriately; learning from incidents

Huge enthusiasm to share learning and data, and to contribute to improving paediatric sepsis care across the healthcare system

OUR AIM

To develop a “bundle” of standardised interventions to improve paediatric sepsis care at each stage of the patient pathway; achieved by enabling clinicians across the network to share and learn from each other’s good practice

NEXT STEPS

- Identify ways to share learning and resources between network members and their teams
- Develop links with other organisations, to ensure our work aligns with that occurring nationally
- Multi-site data collection to further inform our work
- Next meeting 06/03/18 2-5pm, Guy’s Hospital, London

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