



Association of Directors of Public Health (UK)

The Association of Directors of Public Health Statement on the Effectiveness of the Family Nurse Partnership

A study, conducted by Cardiff University, has been published in [The Lancet](#). It provides new evidence on the effectiveness of the Family Nurse Partnership (FNP) in England, an NHS service working to support vulnerable teenage mothers-to-be, pregnant with their first child. The study found it was not a cost effective model of providing a targeted intervention.

The Family Nurse Partnership (FNP) is a licensed intensive home-visiting intervention, originally developed in the USA and introduced into practice in England, that involves up to 64 structured home visits from early pregnancy until the child's second birthday by specially recruited and trained family nurses.

ADPH welcomes this research as adding to the evidence base on interventions to improve the health and wellbeing of children and their families. As commissioners of 0-19 public health nursing services, local authorities will wish to consider this new evidence in their commissioning plans going forward.

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Notes to Editors

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2. ADPH has a strong track record of collaboration with other stakeholders in public health, including those working within the NHS, local authorities and other sectors.

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