

Expert testimony to inform NICE guideline development

Section A: Developer to complete

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Guideline Committee:	Public Health Advisory Committee F
Subject of expert testimony:	National Operational Framework for work with children and young people who display harmful sexual behaviour.
Evidence gaps or uncertainties:	[Research questions or evidence uncertainties that the testimony should address are summarised below]

Section B: Expert to complete

Summary testimony: [Please use the space below to summarise your testimony in 250–1000 words. Continue over page if necessary]

The testimony focused on the paucity of assessment and particularly post assessment intervention provision for children and young people with harmful sexual behaviour. The presentation described the development of an operational framework to improve inter agency work and its coordination in local areas. The Framework recognises the resource constraints that local areas face and its intention is to facilitate local thinking and planning in relation to harmful sexual behaviour and how current resources can most effectively be developed and deployed to improve local responses to children and young people with harmful sexual behaviour.

The Framework is being tested in 14 local areas and this process will be complete by April 2016. It is intended that the Framework will then be amended to take account learning from the pilot and then taken up more broadly across the country to help contribute towards local sexual abuse prevention strategies.

References to other work or publications to support your testimony' (if applicable):

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