Young and Parenting—Integrated Partnerships at Work

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Our Service

Outreach Programs

- Norlane/Corio/Whittington/Newcomb
- Mothers under 20 at time of delivery
- Indigenous communities
- Parenting Assessment and Skill Development Service
- Outreach Preparation for Parenting Service
The Evidence for the Development of the Service

Statistics

- Australia 2004 16 per 1000 females aged 15-19 years
- Victoria 10.6 per 1000 in 2004
- City of Greater Geelong 12.4 per 1000 females

Geographical Region

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City Of Greater Geelong Under 20

MCH Service

- Began in 2001
- 2006/2007 157 families visited: 890 home visits
- Fully DHS funded.
- Home visiting and school based service
- Children from birth 0-3 years of age
- Covers the City of Greater Geelong and Queenscliffe Borough
- Follows the family if they move around within the geographical area.
The mothers and fathers....

At risk infants whose mothers/fathers:

- Low socio-economic circumstances
- Socially isolated
- Minimal social support networks
- Single or unsupported by partner
- Mental health issues
- Disability-intellectual and physical
- Drug, alcohol and gambling issues
- Domestic violence
- Incarceration-partners and/or grandparents
- Closely spaced children
Partnerships

Referral Sources:
- Antenatal-Young Approach to Parenting (YAP)
- Community Agencies
- Corio Bay Secondary College-(2003)
- Child Protection, DHS
- Universal Maternal and Child Health Service
Insights...

School

- Open sessions and planned appts unsuccessful
- Factors in non attendance

Most successful:

- Home visiting
- The school partnership
- Opportunity to fulfil educational ambitions
- On site child care facilities
- Subsequent employment opportunities
- Improved child outcomes
Young mums around the country side…call Terri Bosna