

## The NEW Health Improvement service – replacing Ealing Healthy Schools

The new **Health Improvement Team**, which replaces the Healthy Schools team from September 2011, will provide support, guidance, advice and training to all schools across the borough to enable them to plan and implement their health improvement work.

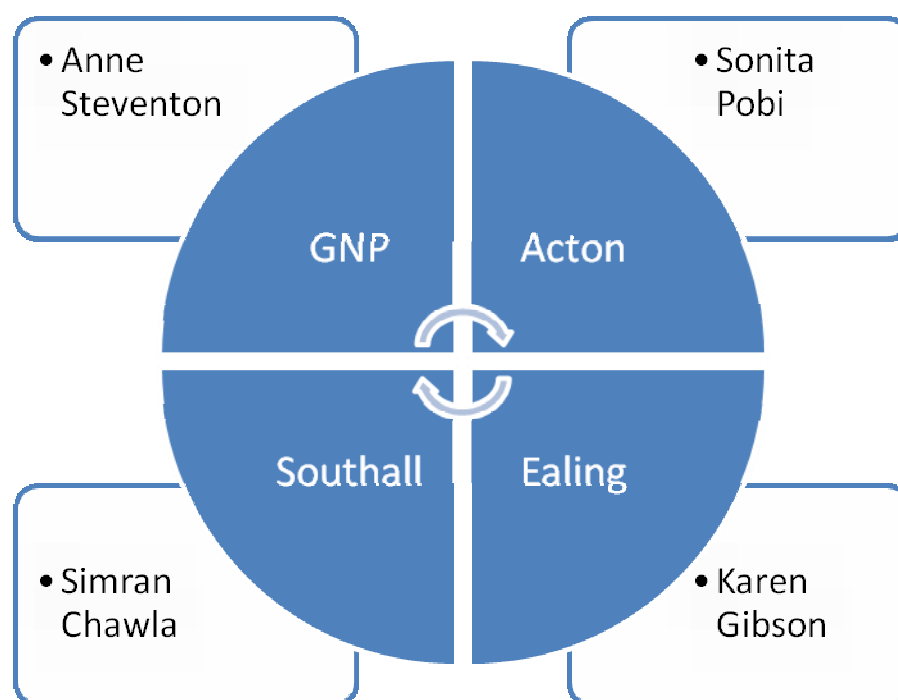
The **vision** for the newly formed service is to:

“ Encourage and enhance health improvement opportunities for all children and young people through providing health improvement support, guidance, training and advice to schools, youth & early years services and to strengthen working relationships between these services, to develop and integrate health improvement & health promotion work.”

The three objectives are:

- To **support, guide, train and advise health, early years, youth & connexions and education professionals** to facilitate the development & co-ordination of needs-led health improvement messages for children & young people.
- To **improve children & young people’s health & well-being** through facilitating access to first class curricula and extra-curricula activities and initiatives that lead to long-term health improving behaviours.
- To **engage & encourage health service & education professionals to generate new opportunities for working together** in order to better understand children, young people and their family’s health choices & enhance the promotion of healthy choices and behaviours.

To do this effectively each of the four members of the Health Improvement team will work in one of the four Ealing localities with their Extended Services colleagues.



This reflects the School Effectiveness and Extended Services model. Each Health Improvement Officer will work closely with their colleagues to co-ordinate the collection and interpretation of information gathered from your Healthy Schools audit and Health Related Behaviour Survey results. This will then be used to inform each of the four 2012-13 Locality Health Improvement Plans. This will shape the work that the Health Improvement Officer will then support & develop with you & other health colleagues in the locality.

All Primary & Special schools can also request additional support to help them achieve their long-term goals. If High schools require additional, bespoke support with the direct delivery of activities or training, then there is opportunity to buy-in this support via the Health in High Schools SLA. For more information please contact Karen Gibson – details below.

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