

Young Carers in Ireland

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1. About future developments pathway
2. The elements that constitute a service
3. What can you bring to the table?

**Who adopt Whole Family
Approach using DRM -
Common Assessment
Frameworks with Local
Protocol style delivery**

**Because of the awareness
program among all
Health, Education, Youth
Services Social Care,
Community -Voluntary-
Faith Based**

**All have Someone to
Turn to-Someone to
talk to by 2016**

Young Carers

Our Vision

Carer Strategy 2012 Actions on Young People with Caring Responsibilities

2.2.1 Raise Awareness and understanding among education providers of the signs

2.2.2 Encourage statutory agencies to review the way that they respond

2.2.3 Identify support services needed and create mechanisms for young carers to contact service providers

2.2.4 Investigate and analyse the situation of children and young people undertaking caring roles



- Carers Strategy
- Childrens First/National Standards
- Early Intervention
- Family Focused

- Best Practice
- Good Structures-Good Processes-Good Outcomes
- Outcome Focused
- Culture of quality & Safety
- Shared Information
- Reflective Practice

- KPI of Structures, Processes and Outcomes
- Use of Resources
- Governance & management
- Use of Information
- Workforce
- Compliance with Standrards
- Meta-analysis of Research data

- Service Evaluaiton
- Views of young carers
- Outcome measurement
- International Practice
- Dissemination-IPAC
- Third Level Co-operation
- Exploratory, qualitative & quantitative

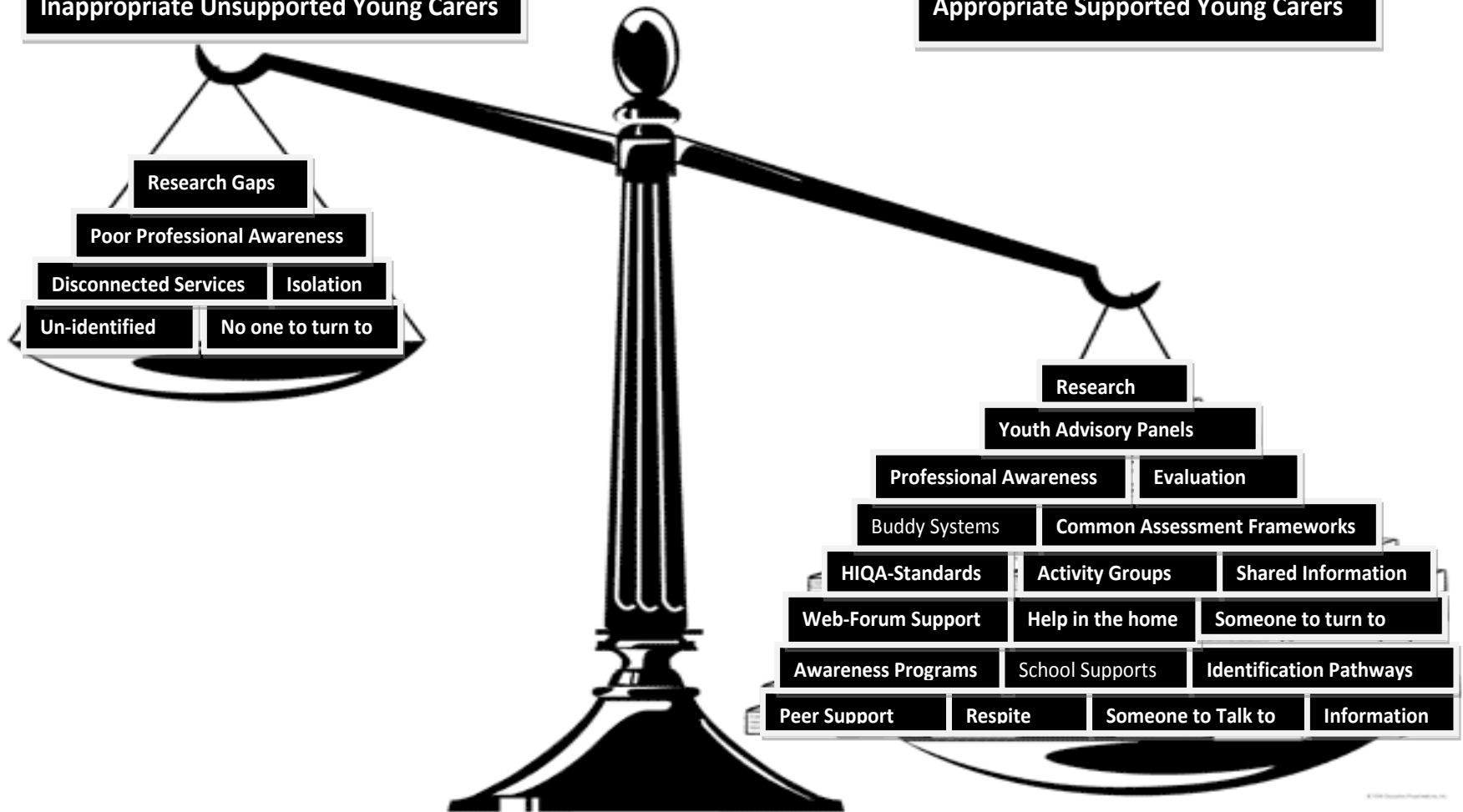
Young Carer Response Elements	Resources needed	Responding to Needs of Young Carers identified NUIG(2009) Report
Weekly Club/Activity Groups	Venue/Staff/equipment	Peer support/respite/social/time to be with friends/take part in sport-activities of interest
Respite-Activity Breaks	Staff cost/activity costs/volunteers	Peer support/respite/social/time to be with friends/take part in sport-activities of interest
Information	Printed Material/Leaflets/Website/Forum/Helpline Database/Awareness Campaigns	information about services that can help them; someone to talk to; advice from adults with useful knowledge
Advocacy	Staff/database/ Information	someone to talk to/ advice from adults with useful knowledge of skills
Website	Database/research material/forum/information/links/forum security & oversight	information about services that can help them / someone to talk to/ advice from adults with useful knowledge of skills
Forum	Website/ security & Safeguarding/ staff oversight-supervision/Youth Advisory Panels (YAPs)/Festival Forums	someone to talk to
1-1 Support	Staff/database/referral pathways established	information about services that can help them / someone to talk to/ advice from adults with useful knowledge of skills
Homework Clubs – Schools Support	Staff/premises/volunteers/schools support	help with school from teachers; someone to talk to; advice from adults with useful knowledge of skills
Training	Staff/venue/training resources	Advice from adults with useful knowledge of skills;• Information about services that can help them and help the person in need of care
Group-work	Staff/venue/training resources	Advice from adults with useful knowledge of skills/Time to be with friends;

Young Carer Service Implementation Elements	Resources needed-Outcomes	Correlating to Needs of Young Carers identified NUIG(2009) Report
Research & Development	Academic Involvement/Irish Practice Advisory Conference(IPAC)/Targeted Research	Qualitative and Quantitative Data/ Service Evaluation
Review-Evaluation-Oversight	Staff Competence/ Professional Standards/CORU & HIQA Oversight/Continuous Professional Development/YAPs	Advice from adults with useful knowledge of skills/ CPD/
Database	Staff/development costs/maintenance/Shared Information Policy	Advice from adults with useful knowledge of skills
Policy/strategy formation	Staff Training & Development/Research data/National policy/ Young Peoples level of influence on decision making affecting them	Transparent decisions/connected services/Relevant Policy

Can you and your organisation help lighten the load of our young people with caring responsibilities?

Inappropriate Unsupported Young Carers

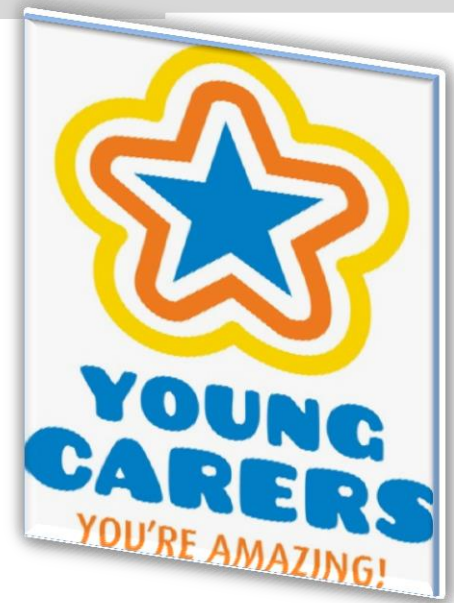
Appropriate Supported Young Carers

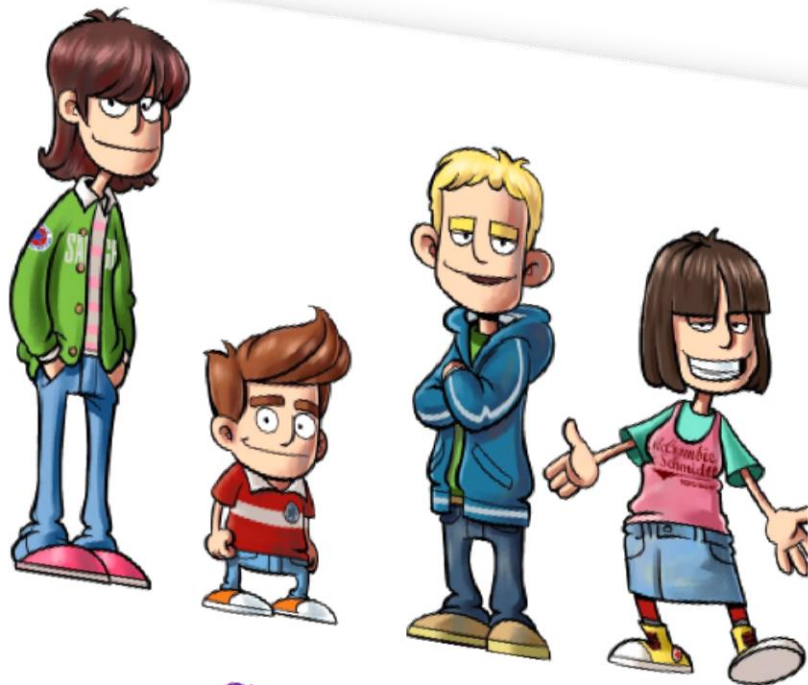


Together, we can help tip the balance in their favour.

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- **Advocacy, Respite, Education, Support & Training**
- **Web platform- www.youngcarers.ie**
- **Online support/Forums/Chat rooms**
- **National Organisation Supporting Carers-
Transitions**
- **Resources-Templates-Forms-Leaflets ...uniformity
of message and language ...Open Source material –
....Online downloads of resources/ Brand**
- **Recognition-Young Carer of the Year Award**





Supporting
young people with Caring
responsibilities in Ireland
School Resource Toolkit

ABOUT THE YOUNG CARERS

Part of services provided by The Carers Association, our Young Carers Project is working with young people up to age 25 who have caring responsibilities.

We aim to help create a network of support for Young Carers across the country and ensure service providers and schools understand their needs and respond appropriately.

The Carers Association is Ireland's national voluntary organisation for family carers. Charity No: CHY 10962

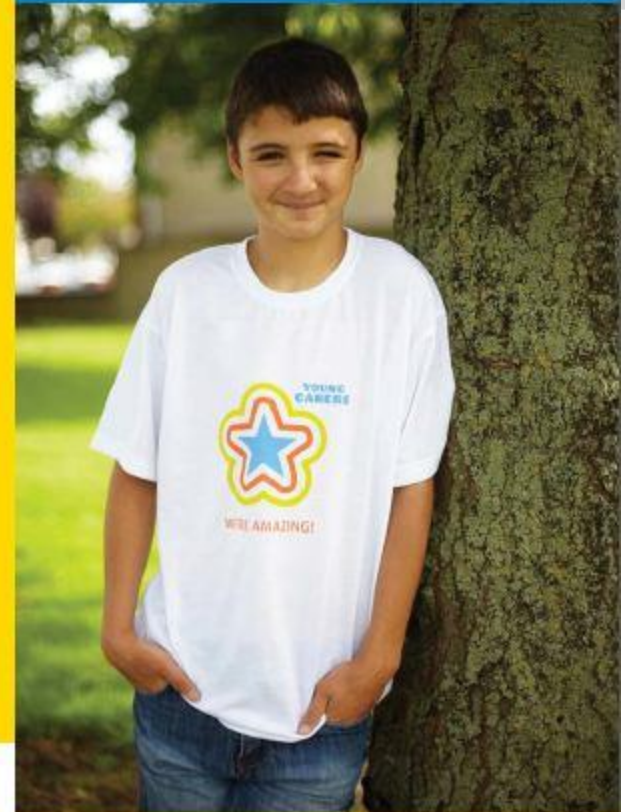
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