

A YSS CONFERENCE

A TIME FOR CHANGE FOR YOUNG CARERS IN WORCESTERSHIRE

MONDAY APRIL 20: 9.30-15.50 at drp

YOUNG CARERS QUIZ 2015

1. c) 177,000 young carers in England and Wales
BBC survey 2010 – estimates 700,000 – this is 4 times the national average

Worcestershire – 2011 census 3490 in 2001 there were 2961 identified by census –

2. True – Positives
 - Caring can develop children's knowledge, understanding, sense of maturity and a range of life and social care related skills
 - It can bring children and their parents closer
 - It can allay some of the fears, concerns and anxieties that children have about their parents conditions- it gives children some control and involvement in the provision and management of care
 - Make children feel included
Negative outcomes
 - Limited opportunities, horizons, aspirations
 - Limited opportunity for social and leisure activities
 - Lack of understanding from peers, restricted friendships
 - Stigma by association
 - Fear of what professionals might do
 - Educational difficulties
 - Emotional difficulties
 - Employment difficulties

Source: Young Carers –research, policy and practice: prof Saul Becker, University of Birmingham

3. 3m – University of Birmingham

4. According to the 2011 census children in the 5-7 age group spend a total 9,985hrs per week caring – this is an increase of 83% on the 2001 census figure

5. TRUE – a lot of the work carried out by keyworkers with young adult cares is around supporting CV writing, job applications, college applications, advocating on behalf of YAC etc.

6. a) 1 in 20 – this is a one of the common themes we see with the families we work with

7. EQUAL DIVISION –However Worcestershire figures are currently 62% female (141) and 38%male (85)

8. a) **29%** caring for a parent with mental health issues. WYC current figures are **68%** of carers are caring for a parent with a disability, **46%** are caring for parent with mental health problems, **34%** parental physical health and **22%** are caring for a sibling with a disability
9. b) **28%**
- and **51%**, brother or sister and **12%** grandparent
10. **6%**- The majority of young carers we work with at WYC are in the 9 to 18 age brackets they equate to **81%** of young carers registered with the service
11. a) **10-14 years**
12. c) **Four Times** – this could be for any number of reasons – cared for, carer (other parent) etc.
13. c) **£5000** – Coupled with generally less access to opportunities/support – no transport/ lack of funds etc.
14. **375,000**
15. **56%** reported that they were experiencing difficulties because of their caring role and **16%** were concerned that they might have to drop out. Another **45%** said that although tutors and lecturers were aware of their caring role they felt there was no one there who recognised them as a carer or helped them. Source Young Adult Carers at College and University: Carers Trust
16. **Yes**- The new Care Bill gives local authorities a responsibility to assess a carers own need. The Bill says that they must assess them if it considers there is significant benefit to the individual in doing so..... And this can be done regardless of whether the child or individual currently receives any services or requests an assessment.
17. **Oritse Williams – JLS, Tulisa – X Factor, Ms Dynamite, Laurence Llewelyn- Bowen, Jo Whiley, Radio one DJ, Jade Ewen- Sugarbabes, and Richard McCourt- Dick & Dom**
18. **For every £1.00 invested in young carers there is a social return of £8.69**