



# TAMESIDE ATTENDANCE PLEDGE



Tameside  
Safeguarding  
Children Partnership

**NHS**  
Tameside and Glossop  
Clinical Commissioning Group



Greater  
Manchester  
Integrated Care  
Partnership

**Tameside**  
Metropolitan Borough

The Pledge is a collaborative approach to promote good attendance at all schools and in learning opportunities across Tameside so that all children and young people can fulfil their potential. Set out below is a set of principles that those signing the pledge agree to uphold.

The pledge will sit alongside the Tameside Attendance Strategy.

## SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS EVERYONE'S BUSINESS, TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

### TAMESIDE MULTI-AGENCY ATTENDANCE STRATEGY FOR PROMOTING GOOD ATTENDANCE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

The Attendance Pledge is a collaborative approach to promote good attendance across Tameside, so that all children and young people can fulfil their potential.

The Attendance Strategy recognises that improvements in overall attendance rates can only be achieved through a partnership approach. This will involve a range of agencies working with our children and families.

The understanding that promoting positive attendance in learning is a responsibility that belongs to everyone is central to this work if we are to achieve improvement in overall attendance rates and a significant reduction in persistent absenteeism.

School leaders and a range of agencies have signed up to a School Attendance Strategy committing to principles and practices, which support improved School attendance.

All agencies agree to commit to multi-agency working to address underlying issues facing families and communities, including a commitment to active engagement with wider team around the child and whole family approaches to supporting children and families with more complex needs.



# OUR PLEDGE TO SUPPORT THE PRINCIPLES OF TAMESIDE'S ATTENDANCE STRATEGY

## PRINCIPLES

Agree to work together to support the Schools Attendance Strategy and work to improve school attendance for every child in our Borough.

Accept responsibility to act as attendance role models for our children and young people

Champion outstanding and improved attendance by addressing barriers to and work with partners to overcome barrier together.

Recognise that patterns of low attendance can form early and support and encourage good attendance across the early years.

Support parents and carers to prioritise school attendance and link with school attendance practitioners and staff to ensure a multi-agency approach.

Work together with children, young people and their families to support and encourage positive transitions across all phases of education and on to the world of work. Re-enforcing the importance of good attendance each step of the way.

## PRACTICES

### OUR ORGANISATION WILL:

Share information about our services, including any support, advice and resources available to families, with all our Tameside Schools.

Offer a point of contact for Tameside Schools to enable families to access appropriate support where available.

Create awareness of the importance of school attendance in keeping children and young people safe and promote the understanding that, if children and young people are in learning they are less likely to be at risk of engaging in activity that could make them unsafe.

Recognise that poor school attendance can be the symptom of other issues in the family home and that early intervention can prevent issues becoming entrenched or worsened.

Recognise the significance of educational neglect and commit to working alongside families until they are able to sustain a good level of school attendance.

Support improved communication channels with schools and other partner agencies working with children and families to break down barriers to attendance.



# INDIVIDUAL ORGANISATIONS PLEDGE:

Staff and managers commit to promoting positive attendance across all ages and stages, including Early Years and post 16 learning.

We recognise the importance of good school attendance in achieving positive family outcomes and will support the families we work with to encourage their children and young people to achieve a good level of attendance.

We will share information across our own service and with our Tameside schools about any support that families can access to help them.

SERVICE NAME:

YOUR NAME:

ORGANISATION:

SIGNATURE:



# INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR SERVICE THAT TAMESIDE LOCAL AUTHORITY CAN SHARE WITH OUR LOCAL SCHOOLS STAFF TEAM:

NAME OF ORGANISATION:

DESCRIPTION OF ORGANISATION:

NAMED CONTACT FOR SCHOOLS:

POSITION:

CONTACT NUMBER:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION OF ANY OF YOUR SERVICE OFFER THAT LINKS UP WITH SCHOOLS & SUPPORTING ATTENDANCE (*THIS COULD BE MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN OR PARENTS, HEALTH OR HOUSING ADVICE & SUPPORT, SUBSTANCE MISUSE SUPPORT ETC*):

