

Young Carers survey press release

Are Young Carers in MK getting the support they need?

Healthwatch MK is carrying out a survey to find out.

Over 700 young carers are currently being supported by Carers MK. It may be that many more young people are caring for people and not claiming support.

Healthwatch MK wants to hear from all young people, aged 8-19, who perform caring duties for another person (including a family member), either full-time or part-time. The survey is open to all young carers in MK, including those who might not consider themselves to be carers.

“It’s important that we understand how young carers in MK are supported, whether or not support is easily accessible, and if there are any areas where improvements could be made. This will help us recognise what’s working well and address any gaps in support for young carers”.

- Maxine Taffetani, CEO, Healthwatch MK

Survey results will be used to make recommendations on what’s working well and how support, and access to support, could be improved.

The survey can be accessed at: <http://www.healthwatchmiltonkeynes.co.uk/?q=young-carers-survey> or by calling 01908 698800.

Please share as widely as possible and encourage anyone you think might be a young carer to complete the survey.

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