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| 3 a | PHSE has a key role in enhancing the family dynamic by helping to shape a young person's understanding and choices made about their behaviours over and above choices around health literacy. We also feel that the emphasis here should be about making informed choices rather than just knowledge and practical skills building |
| general | It should be pointed out that young people say they first want to talk about sex and relationships with their parents so there must be a partnership between school and parent around each role. |
| 3.2.1.b | Consider including: Interventions that support and inform parents and carers to talk more freely with their children about informed choices around sex and relationships plus parents being conversant with sexual health messages .Such interventions could including guidance on training those working at a community level with parents |
| 3.3. | Outcome on parents being able to give advice on the issues with resultant changes in behaviour |
| 3.4 | The second key question needs to address how these various bodies can work together around delivering health related ECM outcomes. In our experience parents feel they are very much out of the loop here despite the fact that schools should engage and inform parents where PHSE covers sex education as parents till have the right to remove children from sex education. |
| 3.4 | Should include the VCS on a national and local level who support the delivery of PHSE in a number of ways. For instance Parentline Plus runs an awareness raising campaign funded by the TPU to give tips and strategies aimed at increasing discussion in the family re sexual health and risky behaviours |

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