

Personal Budgets for Children and Young People

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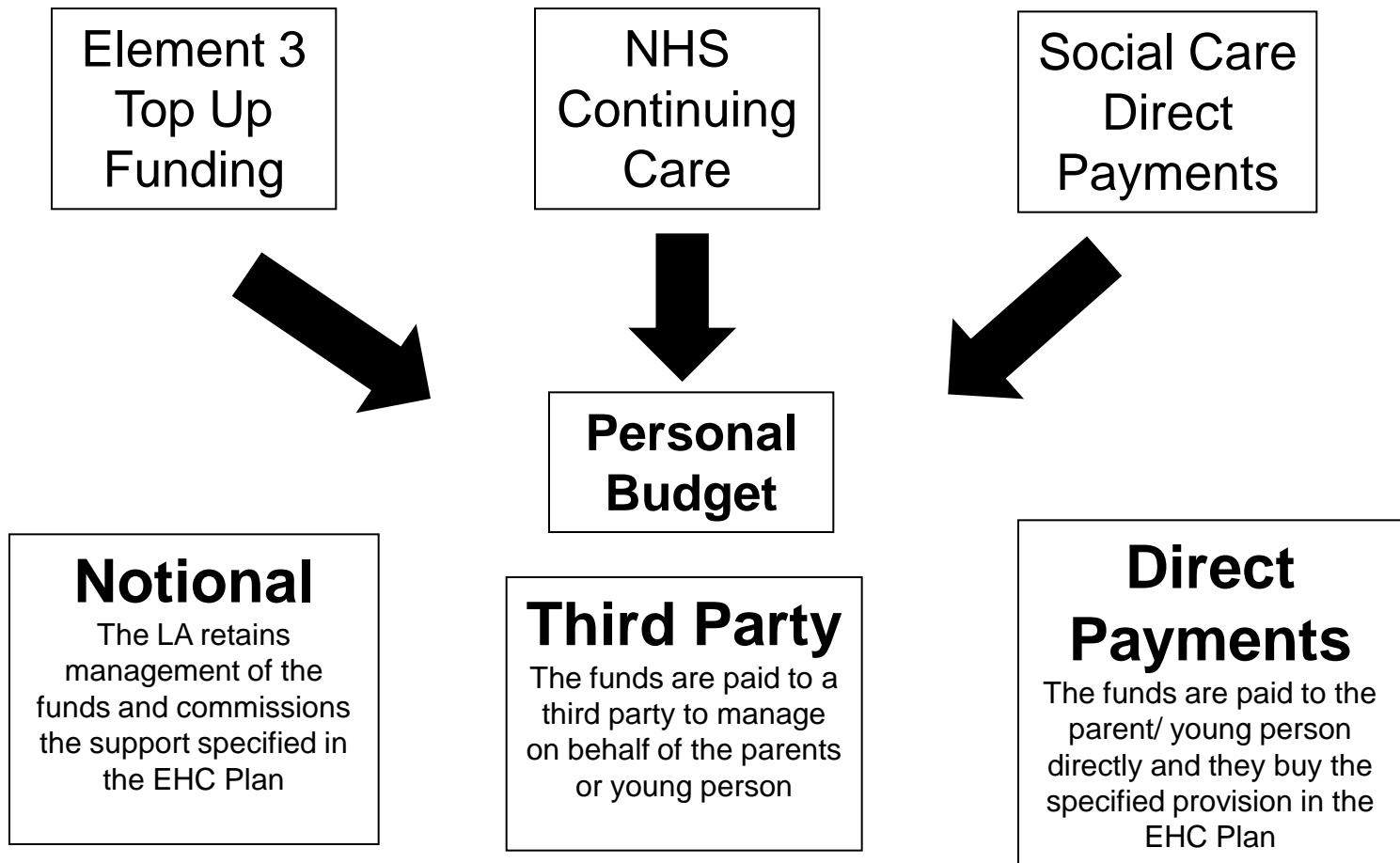
Providing children's services for
the **Royal Borough of Kingston** and
the **London Borough of Richmond**

Introduction

- From April 2014 any child or young person receiving NHS funded Continuing Healthcare had the right to ask for a Personal Health Budget, and now has the right to have a Personal Health Budget
- This right to request a Personal Budget was also extended to children and young people with an Education, Health and Social Care Plan or their parents under the Children and Families Bill 2014 (Clause 48) with effect from September 2014
- Direct Payments are already offered for some Social Care Support services



Scope



The Process

Week 1	Initial planning meeting held
	Assessments undertaken
Week 12	Draft Education Health Care Plan Parents and/or young person has requested a personal budget
Week 14	Indicative Budget Confirmed
By Week 16	Broker to contact parents and young person
	Brokerage meeting(s) to develop plan of provision
Week 16-17	Submitted to panel for sign off Education Health Care Plan finalised
	Broker to inform parents of outcome Personal budgets agreement signed
By Week 20	Implementation
By Week 24	Broker to review arrangements with parents and young person
By Week 26	Local authority or CCG to review arrangements



Eligibility

Does the use of Personal Budget:

- Improve the individual outcomes for the child or young person ?
- Support the individual to access education and learn?
- Manage the health needs of the individual?
- Is there an evidence base supporting the provision?
- Is the provision delivered by a suitably qualified person(s)?
- **Is there a contingency plan?**
- Can the provision be delivered via the Local Offer?



Requirements

- The child/ young person has to agree
- **Any provision intended to be delivered in a school must have agreement from the Head teacher**
- The CCG has to agree the healthcare provision will meet the needs
- The provision must be registered with the appropriate professional body
- Take full responsibility for employing staff and all liabilities including registration with HM Revenue and Customs
- Keep a separate bank account and accurate financial accounts for auditing
- Repay any unused monies or over payments
- Not exceed the defined budget



Further Information

- Guide for Parents and Carers
- Guide for Professionals
- Eligibility Criteria
- Personal Budget Agreement

<http://www.afclocaloffer.org.uk/pages/home/assessment-and-education-health-and-care-planning/personal-budgets>

