

Child Protection – Information Sharing (CP-IS)

CP-IS connects local authorities' children social care IT systems with those used by NHS unscheduled care settings (e.g. A&E) to provide better care and earlier intervention for children who are considered 'vulnerable and at risk'.

Within one week

of the first system go-live, an "at risk" child was identified and appropriate action was taken



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CP-IS will cost £6.78million to implement across England once fully delivered in 2018. This is 0.56% of the annual cost of all child abuse in England (£1.2 billion)

36 per day



In 2015 so far, across four local authorities 6,681 childrens' records who are considered to be 'vulnerable and at risk' (some not yet born) have been uploaded onto the national CP-IS system. The equivalent of 36.6 children being added every day

118,000 children

CP-IS is expected to generate cost savings of £20.9 million and more importantly, provide earlier identification of potential harm for over 118,000 children. Record uploads will significantly increase throughout 2015

"Not having prompt access to the details of the local authority responsible for such a child has been a long-standing problem for the NHS. What CP-IS does for the first time is share such information between health and local authorities at a national level."

Consultant Paediatrician
