

Public Health Involvement Pathway/ Persistent School Absence Impact Area:

Contributing to reduction in school absences and supporting educational attainment

School identifies health concerns that impacts on school attendance School follow school procedure and refer to EWS as required EWO assessment identifies health concerns as a barrier to school attendance EWO makes referral to Public Health with parental consent regarding school absence requesting information as required The allocated public health worker completes an assessment and gathers health information from Public Health records/GP and gains GP permission where necessary to share relevant information with the EWO and school. Health Concerns identified. Health concerns not •Where identified the allocated public health worker will work with identified. the family to support and address identified health needs if these **FWS** informed are not already met Referral closed to Public •Health care plans will be developed in partnership to address Health school absence and health needs. GP informed of outcome. •GP notified of outcome of health needs assessment and care plan if deemed necessary by the allocated worker Level of absence unsubstantiated Resolved Level of absence If absence is unsubstantiated as a substantiated Referral closed result of health assessment/findings to Public Health then information is to be shared with Ensure appropriate school and EWS by the Public Health support and services EWS/GP are in place. informed of EWS can then proceed with legal outcome. action as required GP informed of outcome Key: EWO/School School Nurse Partnership

AT ANY STAGE DURING THIS PROCESS IT MAYBE NECESSARY TO UNDERTAKE EHA