

# 10 Findings from the Health and Youth Work Project (UK)

*Investigating How Dedicated Youth Worker Services for Young People with Physical and/or Mental Health Conditions are Organised, Provided and Experienced*

**188 health-related youth work services across the UK responded to our survey:**

## 1. Location

76% (142) of youth work services are based in England

## 2. Provider

42% (79) of youth work services are provided by the NHS.

## 3. Funder

The third sector is the largest funder (45%, 64) of youth work services.

## 4. Focus

66% (119) of youth work services support young people with long term physical health conditions.

## 5. Specialism

Most specialist youth work services focus on cancer and palliative care (42%, 38).

## 6. Age

Most youth work services support 11–25-year-olds (67%, 110).

## 7. Support Type

The most common support provided is emotional support (92%, 144)

## 8. Area

Cities/metropolitan areas have the most youth work services (77%, 139).

## 9. Size

The majority of youth work services (51%, 75) are comprised of a single youth worker.

## 10. Duration

The majority (47%, 54) of youth work services had been operating for 6+ years.

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