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Analysis of your Local Authority EHCP audit data

April – August 2023

This analysis considers 123 EHCPs audited by your Local Authority during their April – August 2023 cycle of auditing

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A background to the Invision360 EHCP Quality Assurance Tool

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Invision360 is partnered with over 40% of LAs across England!

...and that number continues to grow!

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Hartlepool Borough Council
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Hull City Council
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Oxfordshire County Council
Reading Borough Council Working better with you
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Southend-on-Sea City Council
Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council
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Wigan Council
Wiltshire Council
Wirral
Suffolk County Council

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Auditing EHCPs with Invision360

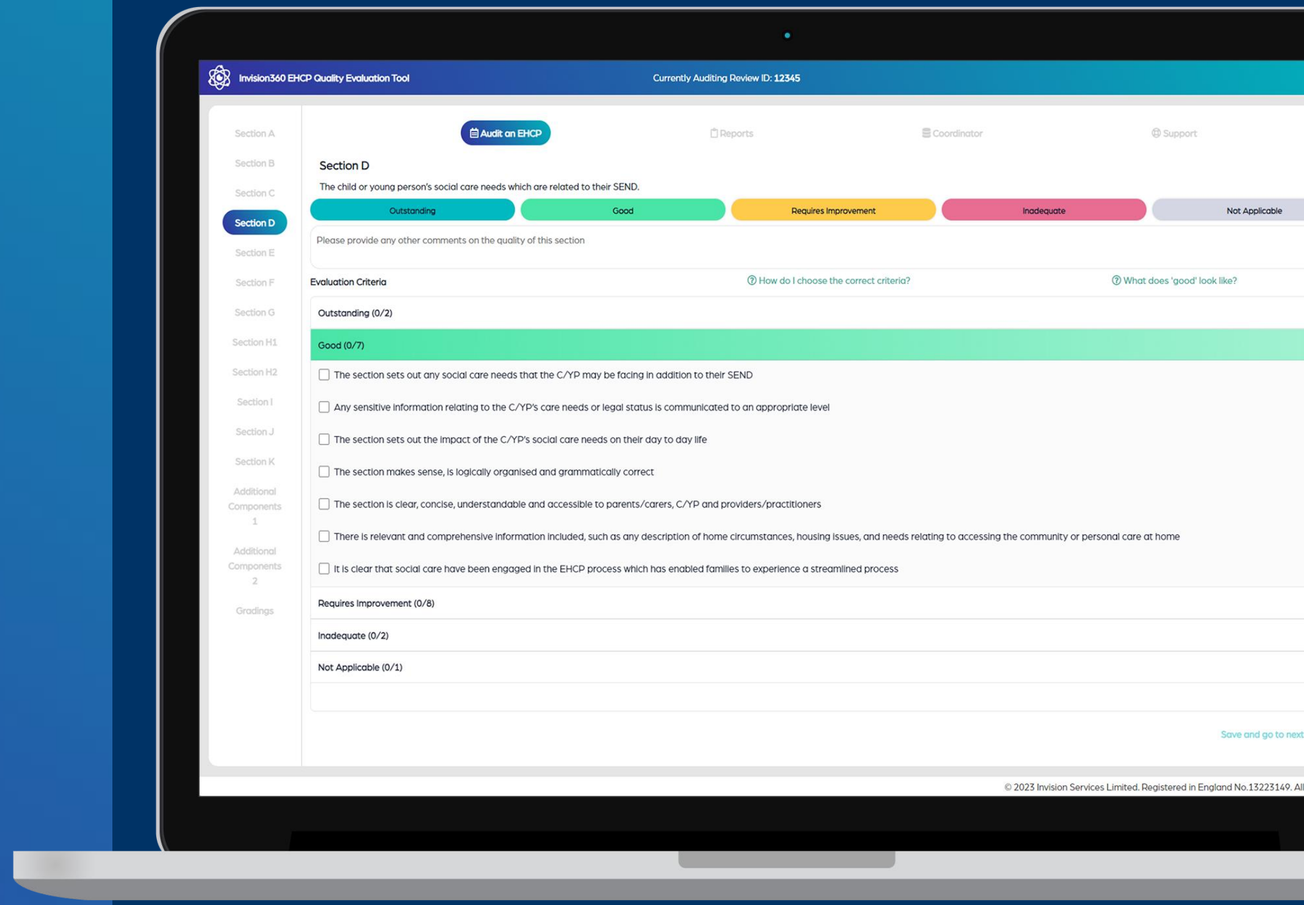
Increasing consistency and objectivity at your Local Authority - EHCP Quality Assurance process

Your Local Authority have commissioned Invision360 - an online EHCP auditing tool to ensure effective quality assurance.

Invision360 EHCP auditing software has been commissioned by over 50 LAs nationally.

Invision360 software promotes best practice by improving QA consistency and standardisation across the local area.

Invision360's quality framework draws on relevant legislation and several well-respected good practice guides
that underpin local government practice (including, Council for Disabled Children's EHCP Good Practice Guidance, IPSEA's EHC Plan Checklist, SEND Code of Practice).



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Let's take a closer look at the key features

Experiential feedback

Send a simple user-friendly multiple-choice questionnaire to collate and analyse experiential feedback.

Reporting

Analyse trends, identify areas for improvement and evidence improvement cycles using our reporting feature.

Moderation

The moderation function highlights where auditors are consistent/ inconsistent to help bring everything in line.

Benchmarking

Benchmark the quality of your reports/ plans nationally and regionally with our benchmarking functionality.

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Your Local Authority
Audit summary

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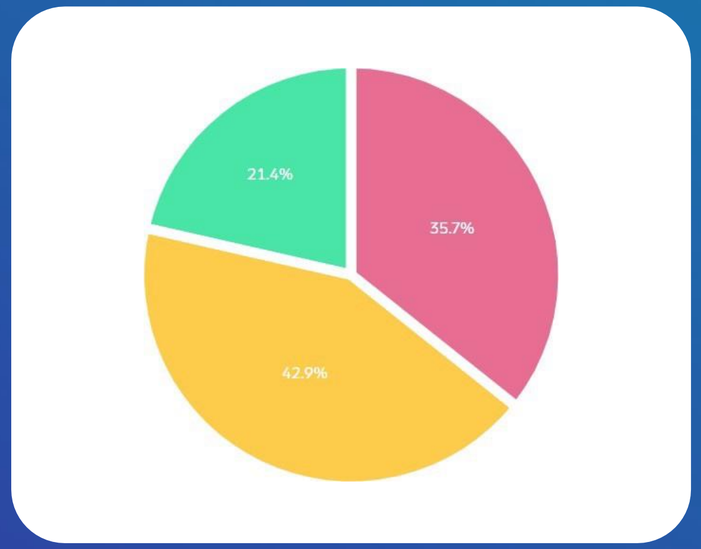
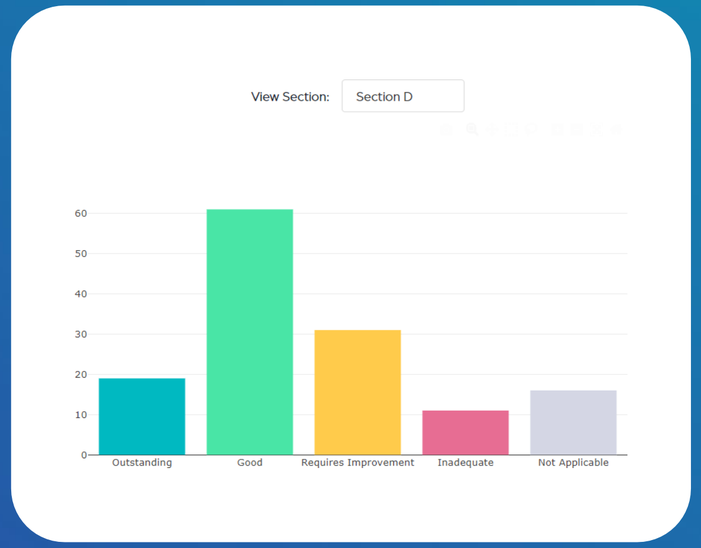
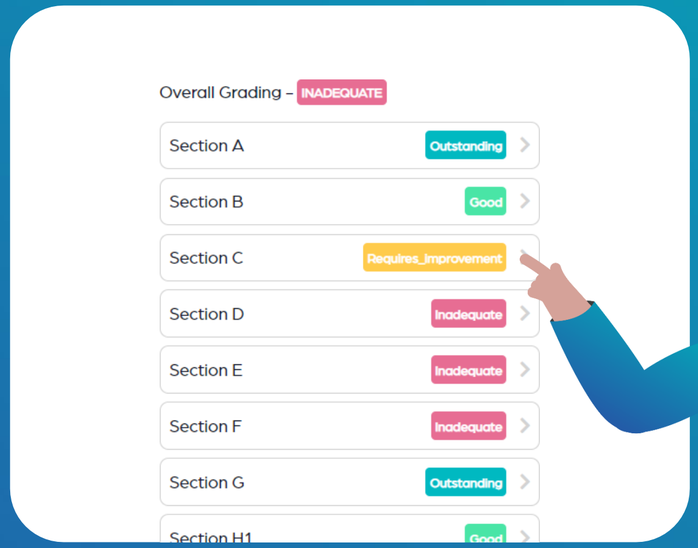
What information about EHCP QA can be utilised by your Local Authority?



Local Area
overall whole EHC Plan gradings



Local Area
overall section by section



Individual
EHCP Plan audits

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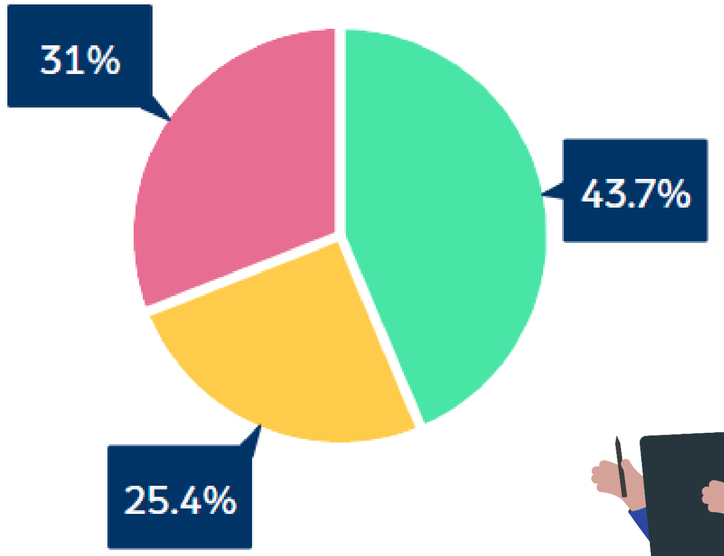
Your Local Authority audit summary

April – August 2023

This report provides insight into the second auditing cycle at your Local Authority using the Invision360 EHCP audit tool.

During this period 71 EHCPs were audited.

Overall gradings



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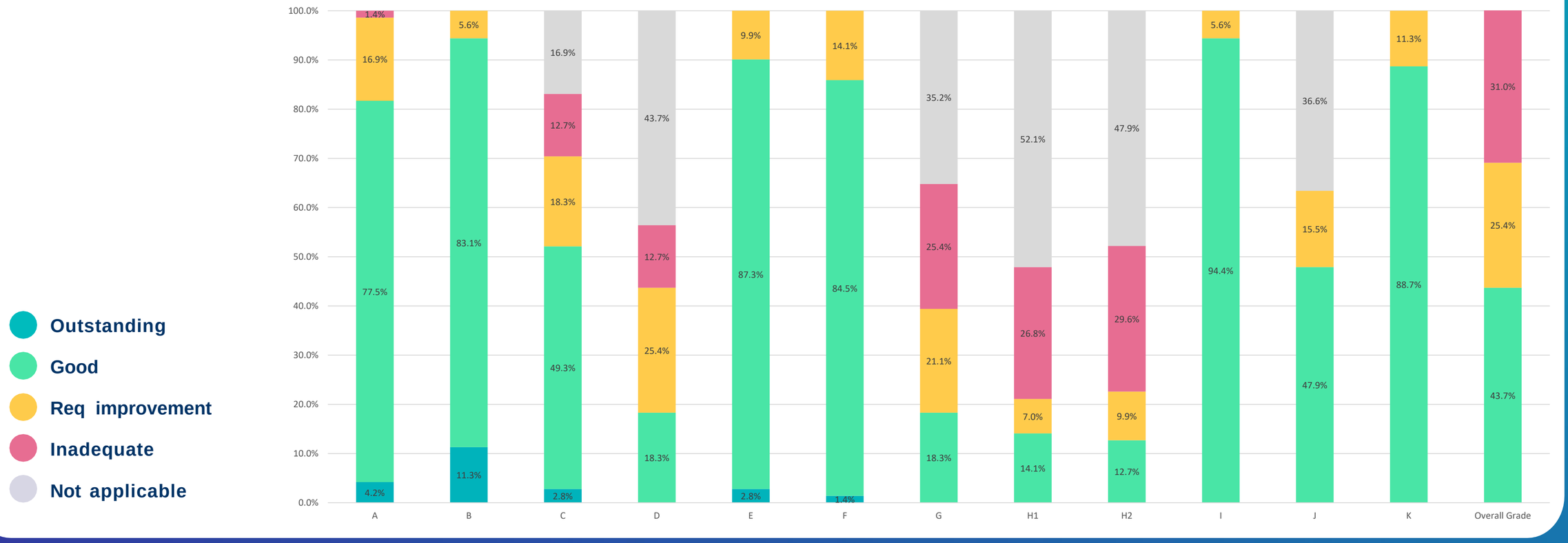
Cycle 1 results



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Free text for your Local Authority

We encourage your Local Authority to use this page to provide context for the report to Ofsted & CQC.

We also offer example recommendations for your Local Authority to include:

E.g.

- Summary of QA framework
- Multi-disciplinary forums
- SEND governance oversight
- Work completed to date
- Links to SEND improvement plan

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Unveiling Insights: A comprehensive exploration of the data

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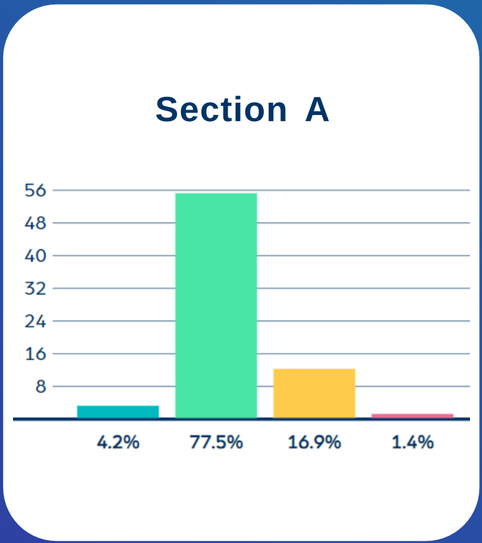

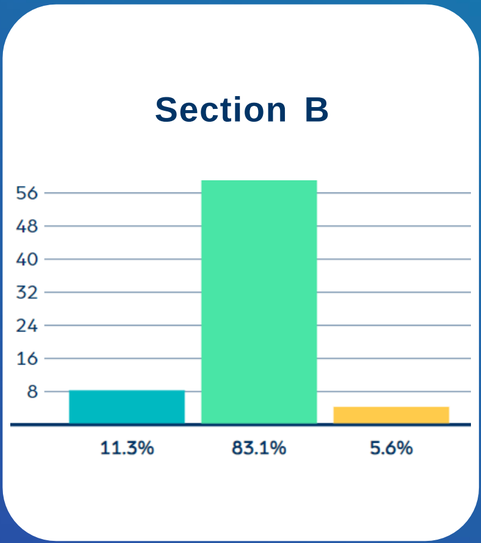

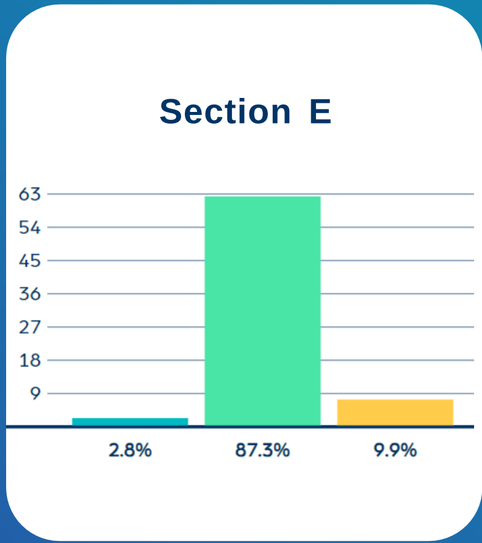

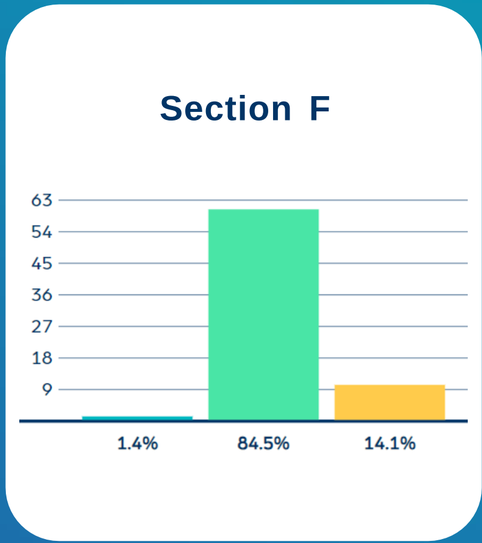

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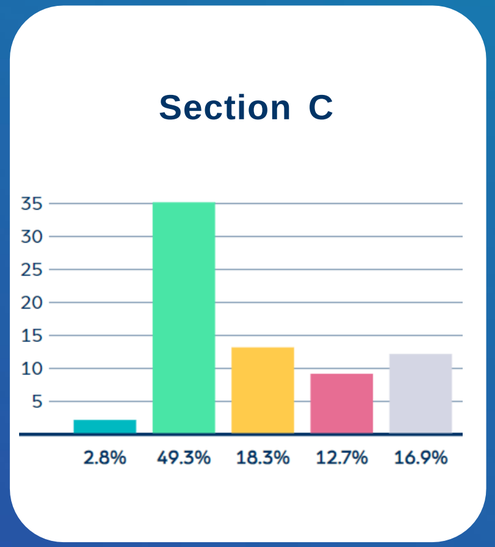
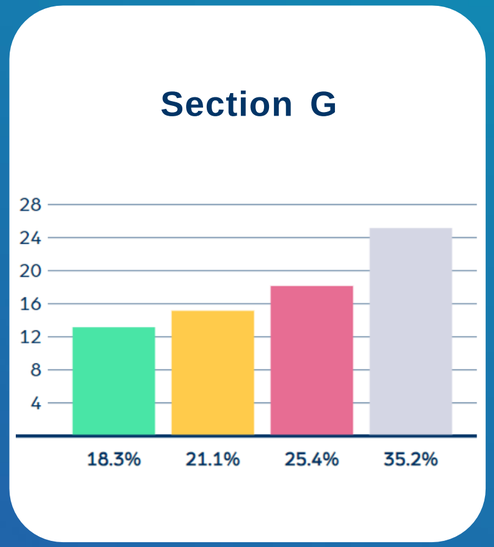
Results – A focus on improving health sections





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Recommendations -
Health Focus: Sections C & G

This page includes recommendations by Invision360 regarding sections C & G

E.g.

- To improve grading of section C in EHC Plans, plan writers should explain the health needs and their implications on CYP, instead of just bullet pointing the needs.
- If information is limited, a process should exist to communicate with relevant health service leads for clarification.
- If there are no 'health needs' and section C is not 'applicable', it is crucial to state clearly and comprehensively that there are no health needs. For instance, you could write, "Based on all professional advice considered when drafting this EHCP, NAME has no identified health needs that require exceptional support.“

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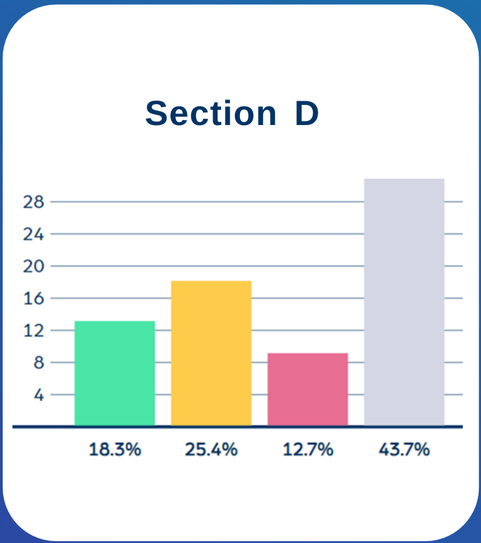
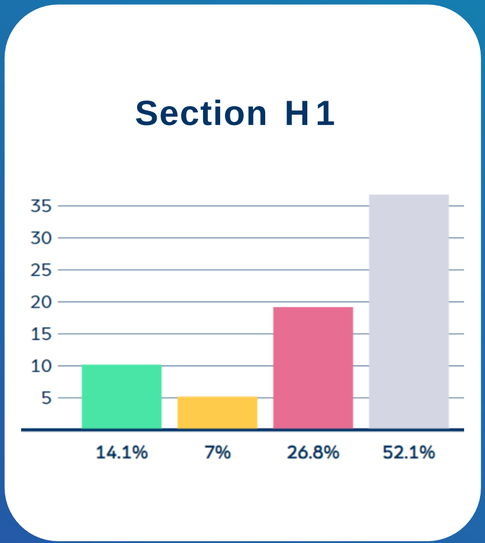
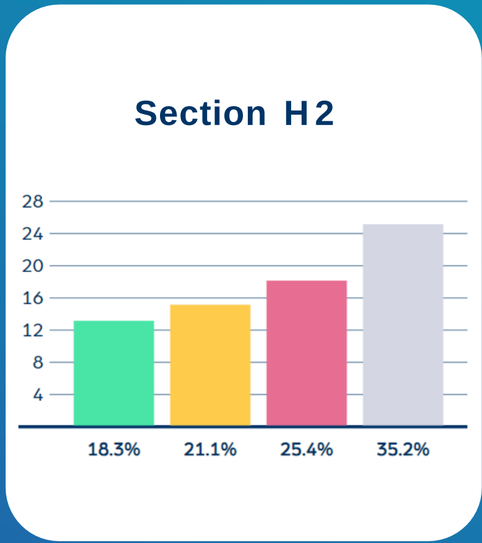
Results– A focus on improving social care sections







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Recommendations -
Social Care Focus: Section D

This page includes recommendations by Invision360 regarding section D

E.g.

- A Designated Social Care Officer (DSCO) can work with relevant service leads to ensure improvements in Sections D, H1 & H2. Find guidance on this role via the link provided here.
- Plan writers should indicate in section D that social care advice was requested, but no social care needs were identified after reviewing the files.
- If section D of a report states that 'social care' needs are not applicable, it is important to clearly state whether or not a child or young person is known to social care. This is because the absence of a social care record does not necessarily mean that there are no social care needs to be addressed.

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Your Local Authority
cycle comparison

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Overall Gradings for EHCP audits

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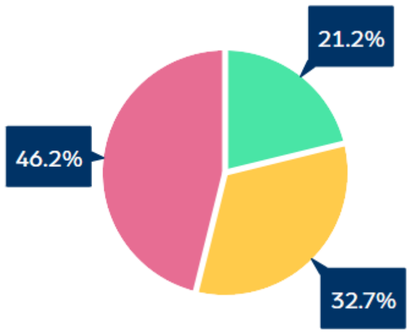
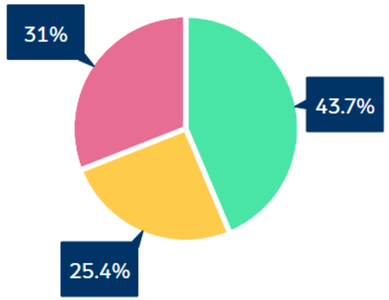


- **Outstanding** - 0
- **Good** - 12
- **Req improvement** - 17
- **Inadequate** - 24

Cycle 2



- **Good** - 31
- **Req improvement** - 18
- **Inadequate** - 22

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Section A Gradings for EHCP audits

*This slide will be repeated for all sections within the audits

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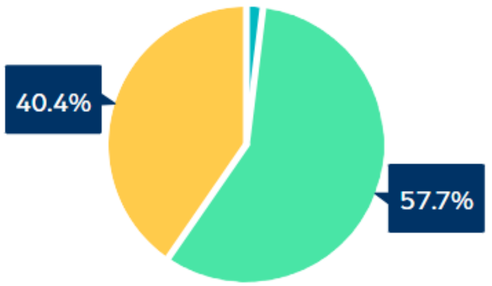
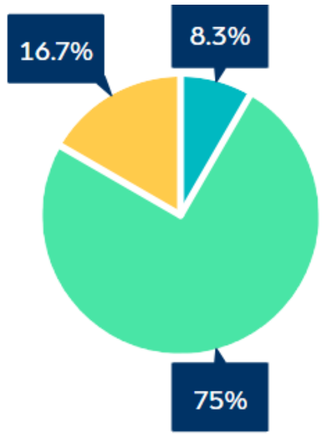


- **Outstanding** - 1
- **Good** - 30
- **Req improvement** - 31
- **Inadequate** - 0

Cycle 2



- **Outstanding** - 6
- **Good** - 53
- **Req improvement** - 12
- **Inadequate** - 0

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Benchmarking your Local Authority against a national average

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Benchmarking your Local Authority's overall EHCP quality with national data

**The benchmarking data is derived from 50+ Local Authorities that have commissioned Invision360.*

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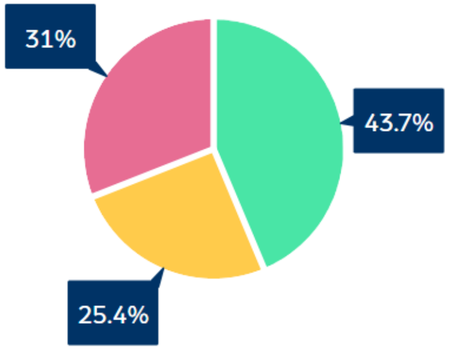

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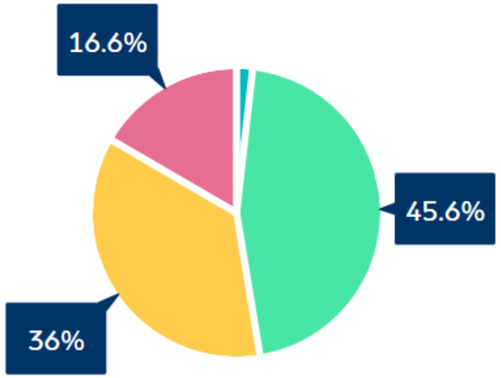

- **Outstanding** – 1.8%
- **Good** – 45.6%
- **Requires improvement** – 36%
- **Inadequate** – 16.6%

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