

## **Making data count – Seminar – Birmingham 4 November 2008**

### **Well being indicators**

#### **Local authority issues raised in discussion**

DCSF initiative was generally welcomed. Principles behind the initiative are good. Concern about initiative overload.

#### **Quantifiable indicators**

There needs to be a rationale for the specific quantifiable indicators, for example why permanent exclusions rather than fixed term? Are there other quantifiable measures? Why not use CAF data?

#### **Perception survey**

Some concerns regarding the commissioning of surveys by schools, i.e. how will a third-party be commissioned?

Concerns also about sharing information and how it will be used: will there be an emphasis on self review rather than use by OfSTED for inspection and reporting? There must be a full sharing of information between schools and local authorities.

The perception survey must build on successful locality surveys already in place.

How will OfSTED use be results in inspection reports?