

The following documents can help you in making decisions

This leaflet is in support of the Calderdale Continuum of Need, Tiers 1-5. Also known as the Windscreen Document.

Continuum of Need and Response booklet
www.calderdale-scb.org.uk/continuumofneedhandbook

Indicators of Serious Harm via CSCB
Website www.calderdale-scb.org.uk

Guidance & examples of child focused risk assessments including the Neglect toolkit
www.calderdale-scb.org.uk

Training is offered through Workforce Development
www.calderdale.gov.uk/education/trainin-g-development/early-intervention/index.html
(Available to everyone working with children/ young people)



Contact us

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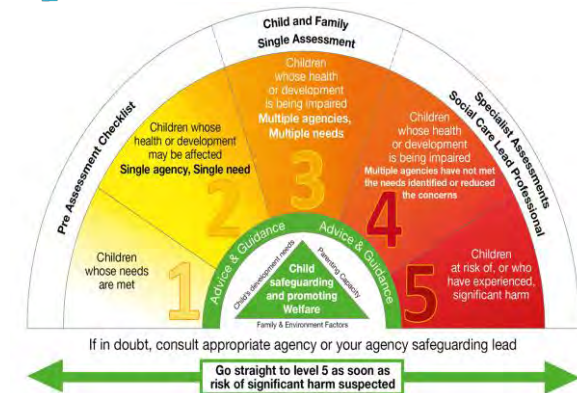
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Early Intervention and Safeguarding



Safeguarding is everyone's business

Information to help Practitioners in decision making about the right support for children and young people

Early Intervention and MAST Referrals - Signatures of Risk

EI - Early Intervention via a local panel in your area
MAST - Multi Agency Safeguarding Team taking Statutory Social Care referrals for Calderdale

Concerns regarding vulnerable children and young people

If you have a concern about a child or family, you have a responsibility to offer advice and support to them in full. You can do this in conjunction with other providers, and support the family to access all services available to them.

Next steps:

- 1 Talk to the child/family if appropriate
- 2 Talk to the designated Safeguarding professional in your own agency
- 3 Discuss with colleagues/partner agencies who know the family
- 4 Talk to your local Early Intervention Manager (details overleaf)
- 5 Consider undertaking a holistic assessment, e.g. Single Assessment
- 6 Ring MAST for ADVICE if unsure about actions

Refer to Early Intervention Panel (details overleaf)

If your concerns persist and you identify:

- Concerns about the child development or behaviour change
- Deterioration in appearance /self-harming
- Suspicion of neglect / poor parenting
- Signs that parent not coping/ chaotic home life / mental health issues
- Housing conditions present a risk to the child / family
- Domestic violence where a child was present but not injured or likely to have been
- Reduction in school attendance / welfare concerns arising from low attendance
- Low level crime / ASB/child out at night
- 2 or more unexplained missed medical appointments
- Child / family substance use

Refer to MAST (details overleaf)

Issues when MAST referral may be appropriate:

- Sudden unexplained injury or concern
- Several minor injuries reoccurring
- Disclosure of abuse
- Young person becomes homeless
- Domestic violence whilst pregnant or when child used as a shield in violent confrontation
- Young child home alone or unattended
- When continuous intervention by other agencies is not effective
- Unexplained sudden deterioration of health where advice is not being sought.
- Any concerns of Child Sexual Exploitation