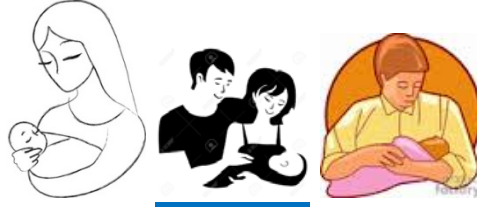


HOW TO COMPLETE A PLACEMENT REFERRAL FORM PARENT/s & BABY/CHILD O



This guide is designed to prompt and support Social Workers completing a Referral Form for a Parent & Baby only placement.

If a child only placement is required please use the Placement Referral Form Child Only.

Profile of Parents and Child

Description of Parents and Child

This section should be 1-2 paragraphs reflecting the current profile of the parents & child (if born), this is particularly important for the parent that is going to be in the placement:

Who are they?

Parent /s

- Physical Description
- Personality
- Character and how would they describe themselves
- Likes / Good at
- Dislikes / Struggles with
- How professionals & family view the parents
- Matching considerations

Baby/Child

- Physical Description
- Personality
- Character
- Likes
- Dislikes / Struggles with
- Matching considerations

Views and wishes of Parents and Birth Family

This section needs to represent how the parents feel about joining / moving placement and should also reflect on how other family members feel about the placement

What do the parents understand about the need for a placement?

What are their wishes and feelings with regards to:

- Placement
- Contact
- Care Plan



What are the wishes and feelings of the birth family?

- Parents
- Siblings
- Other immediate family members

Background Information

This section is to represent the parents and child's story, their journey to their current situation. It should not be a chronology.



- A brief overview of the parents family backgrounds
- Their journey to their current situation
- Summary of previous placements
- Experiences to date / areas of change and progress
- The parents understanding of their journey and experiences

Family

Proposed Contact Arrangements

This is a very basic section and should highlight the contact plan for the child focussing on the parent not in placement and other family members that are part of the parents and child's network:

- Provide full details of the proposed contact plan

Placement History

Reason for Placement Change

This section should provide a brief summary as to why a placement change is required.



- Behaviours
- Actions to prevent breakdown
- Notice given
- Carer / Parents /Child relationship

Outcomes for Parents and Child

Be Healthy - This includes ensuring every child receives the appropriate medical care, as well as encouraging a healthy lifestyle, receiving a balanced diet, being involved in activities and sports, drug and alcohol awareness and sexual health issues.

Summary of current needs / issues

Parent/s:

- Current health needs: Anything from LAC medical? Medication, details of any hospital admissions
- Learning difficulties/ Physical or sensory impairment
- Healthy Lifestyle; including diet, smoking, allergies, self-care, sleeping patterns
- Mental health support / any intervention
- Self Esteem
- Attachment
- Evidence of Resilience
- Sexual Health
- Substance misuse

Baby / child:

- Current health needs: Anything from LAC medical? Medication, details of any hospital admissions

Outcomes to be achieved

Considering the above points address what is hoped the parent will achieve in these areas?

Considering the above points address what are the hoped outcomes for the baby?

Stay Safe - Children learn best when they feel safe and secure; when they know that their contributions are seen to be important and valued and that people take them seriously.

Summary of current needs / issues

- Any learning needs that may impact them in accessing support / advice.
- Any learning / environmental / mental health needs that may impact the parent /s ability to provide care or take advice.
- What is the most appropriate way in which to work with the parent/s.?
- Incidents of bullying / discrimination
- Attitude to taking risks
- Ability to assess and manage risk
- Regular absconder
- Attitude to anti-social behaviour
- Details of involvement in criminal activity and anti-social behaviour;
- Concerns regarding sexual exploitation/radicalisation
- Ability to manage set routines and boundaries

Baby / childs

- in relation to possible risk of harm, including health. (emotional / physical / neglect / sexual)

Outcomes to be achieved

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Enjoy & Achieve - All young people have the right to have opportunities to have positive roles and responsibilities and to develop self-worth and pride in who they are and what they are able to achieve. All children have the right to have a sense of their own experiences and to be supported through difficulties and understanding their own behaviour and decision making.

Summary of current needs / issues



- Are the parent /s involved in any training or learning? What do they need to do to continue this?
- Are there any learning / cognitive needs and if so what is the best way to support the parent /s?
- What does the parent enjoy doing. Currently and historically and what would they like to continue to be able to do?
- What are their hobbies / interests / passions?

Baby/Child

- What does the baby / child need as part of their own development?
- If appropriate, does the child attend nursery and what do they need to continue this?
- If a baby, what needs does the child have with regards to development and learning through play and what is the best way for this to be achieved

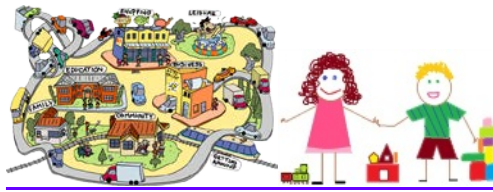
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Make a Positive Contribution - it is important to be part of society, to be involved in social groups, to have acquaintances and friends, receiving and giving back, having a sense of belonging and understand (age appropriate) the society we live in. Are able to develop and practice skills to build and maintain positive relationships, be assertive and to resolve conflicts positively. To take responsibility for their behaviour in a way that is appropriate abilities and responsibilities

Summary of current needs / issues



- Community based activities or clubs
- The parents strengths & areas they find difficult.
- Adult / family / professional relationships
- How the parent manages change & loss?
- Current ability to engage in family life
- Contact arrangements and how the parent is expected to manage this
- The parents understanding of the care plan and their views on this.
- Cultural needs and how these may best be met for parent /s and baby / child.

Outcomes to be achieved

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Considering the above points address what are the hoped outcomes for the baby?

Achieve Economic Wellbeing - We should always have high aspirations for any child who is looked after and where they are supported to have confidence, value, ability and knowledge into their adulthood. This often includes engaging in further education e.g. college, apprenticeships and University. It is important that children in care learn principal of effort (work) and reward (certificate, salary diploma, degree etc).

Summary of current needs / issues



- Details of any independence skills.
- Ability to use public transport
- Ability to manage own finances
- Are they on benefits ? / in work? Do they need support with their finances and benefits?
- Is the parent doing any education and or training and do they need support to continue this?

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