

Visiting & Review Schedule for Looked After Children - Updated 2015

PLACEMENT TYPE	INITIAL VISITS	SUBSEQUENT VISITS	REVIEW SCHEDULE
Approved placement - foster care/residential unit	within 1 st week of placement	minimum of at least once every 6 weeks	ILAC within 20 working days, subsequent Review within 3 months & thereafter 6 monthly
Approved placement which is agreed as a permanent placement which is intended to last until child is 18	within 1 st week of placement	minimum of at least once every 6 weeks for first year. 2 nd and subsequent years, minimum of at least once every 3 months	ILAC within 20 working days, subsequent Review within 3 months & thereafter 6 monthly
In exceptional circumstances only with HoS Approval Agreed permanent placement		2 nd and subsequent years, minimum of once every 6 months	Reviews must be held 6 monthly but a meeting does not need to be part of every review. In agreed cases, there must be a minimum of an annual review meeting.
Child subject to Placement Order but not yet placed for adoption		minimum of at least once every 6 weeks	Initial APR within 3 months of date PO made, thereafter 6 monthly.
Child subject to Placement Order and placed for adoption	weekly visits until 1 st Adoption Plan Review	frequency to be agreed at 1 st Adoption Plan Review – minimum of at least once every 6 weeks.	Initial APR within 28 days, subsequent Review within 3 months & thereafter 6 monthly.
Placement with Parents – child subject to Care Order & full approval (reg 18)	within 1 st week of placement	minimum of at least once every 6 weeks	ILAC within 20 working days, subsequent Review within 3 months & thereafter 6 monthly
Placement with Parents – child subject to Care Order & emergency approval (reg 19)	weekly visits until 1 st Review	minimum of at least once every 6 weeks	ILAC within 10 working days, subsequent Review within 3 months & thereafter 6 monthly
Placement with Parents – child subject to Interim Care Order (both reg 18 & reg 19)	weekly visits until 1 st Review	minimum of at least once every 4 weeks	Reg 19 - ILAC within 10 working days, subsequent Review within 3 months & thereafter 6 monthly Reg 18 - ILAC within 20 working days, subsequent Review within 3 months & thereafter 6 monthly
Placement with Connected Person (Family & Friends) – interim approval (reg 24)	weekly visits until 1 st Review	minimum of at least once every 4 weeks until approval by Fostering Panel, thereafter in line with stat. requirements for LAC.	ILAC within 20 working days, subsequent Review within 3 months & thereafter 6 monthly
Placement in secure estate/YOI via Criminal Justice route & subject to ICO/CO	within 1 st week of placement	minimum of at least once every 6 weeks for first year. 2 nd and subsequent years,	ILAC within 20 working days, subsequent Review within 3 months & thereafter 6 monthly. Consideration to be given to

		minimum of at least once every 3 months	holding Review during last month of sentence.
Placement in secure estate/YOI via Welfare route	within 1 st week of placement	minimum of at least once every 6 weeks for first year. 2 nd and subsequent years, minimum of at least once every 3 months	ILAC within 20 workings days, subsequent Review within 3 months & thereafter 6 monthly. Consideration to be given to holding Review during last month of sentence.
Placement in secure estate/YOI & formerly S.20 – age 16+	within 10 working days of detention	Stat. guidance: whenever reasonably requested to do so. Local agreement: minimum of at least once every 6 weeks for first year. 2 nd and subsequent years, minimum of at least once every 3 months	Local agreement: PPR within 20 workings days, subsequent Review within 3 months & thereafter 6 monthly. Consideration to be given to holding Review during last month of sentence.
Short break care – where the child receives his/her care by being LAC under Section 20 (current interpretation – over 75 days care)	within 1 st week of placement	minimum of at least once every 6 weeks	ILAC within 20 working days, subsequent Review within 3 months & thereafter 6 monthly