

Child/young person's developmental needs

All children change and develop over time. Parents have a responsibility to respond appropriately to the child's needs. The purpose of this section is to identify areas of strength and areas of developmental need, in order for resources to be allocated appropriately to ensure the optimum development of this particular child/young person.

Please give details including strengths and current needs

Health

Education

Emotional and behavioural development: Selfcare skills

Identity and social presentation

Family and social relationships

Parents'/carers' capacities to respond appropriately to the child/young person's needs

Please record strengths as well as difficulties/problems.

Basic care
Ensuring safety
Emotional warmth
Stimulation
Guidance and Boundaries
Stability

Issues affecting parents'/carers' capacities to respond appropriately to the child/young person's needs

It is important to be aware of parent(s)/carer(s) strengths as well as any difficulties they are experiencing.

Research shows that the following are most likely to affect parenting capacity: Physical illness, mental illness, learning disability; Substance/alcohol misuse; Domestic violence; Childhood abuse; History of abusing children.

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Family and environmental factors which impact on the child and family

Please give details of history and current situation

Family history and functioning
Social resources: wider family; community resources; social integration
Housing
Employment, income (please include information concerning financial difficulties)

Summary

Summary of developmental needs of child or young person, parents'/carers' capacities to respond to the child's needs appropriately, and any family or environmental factors impacting on the child/family

Further action

Allocation of specific services	Date service provided:	Referral to other agencies	Date of referral:
Service: _____	_____	Agency: _____	_____
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Hold strategy discussion <input type="checkbox"/>	Initiate s47 enquiries <input type="checkbox"/>
Date _____	Date _____

Practice note: Core assessment should be commenced at the point s47 enquiries are initiated.

Immediate legal action to protect child

Type of legal action _____ Date _____

Core assessment Date Core assessment commenced _____

Specialist assessment(s) commissioned Yes No

Reason(s) for Further Action:

Signature of worker completing assessment _____ Date _____

Signature of Team Manager _____ Date _____

Copy of Assessment given to family members as appropriate Date sent/given _____

Allocated to _____ Team _____ Date _____

Signed _____ Team Manager _____