

*To be completed by auditors*

## 1. Case Details

Date of Audit

Name of Child

Carefirst ID (where known)

Child in Need/CP Plan/CP Plan for 2nd time/CIC

Date of Birth

Name & Agency of Auditor

## **2 a) Early Help**

1. What universal services were involved with the family?

2. a) Was the mother asked questions regarding whether she experienced domestic violence & abuse (DVA)?

b) If no, why not?

c) If the question was asked, what was the response and actions taken?

3.a) Have any MOGP1's been received?

b) If yes, what action has been taken?

4.a) Was an early help assessment undertaken e.g. CAF?

b) If yes, did the assessment take into account the impact of DVA on the child?

5.a) Was a referral made to social services?

b) If yes, was the referral content discussed with the victim and child (where appropriate)?

c) If the referral was not discussed with the victim and child were reasons given

6. a) Was a referral made to an appropriate specialist DVA service i.e. RISE?

b) What support was offered?

## **2 b) Where the Police have responded to a DVA Incident**

1.a) Was it ascertained whether there were children living in the household

b) Was the level of exposure of the children to the DVA incident determined?

2. Where possible, was the victim given information about local support services?

3. Were all relevant services notified of the incident using MOGP1

### 3. Quality of Assessment

1.a) Is there evidence of a DVA risk assessment on agency records?

1. b) Does the assessment include risk to the following? *Please click if yes*

the child  
non abusing parent  
abusing parent

2. Were the risks appropriately assessed and acted upon? *Please click if yes*

the child  
non abusing parent  
abusing parent

*Please state how*

3. Were any emergency actions taken to secure the immediate safety of the child/non abusing parents?

4 a) Were the following seen alone? *Please click if yes*

the child  
non abusing parent

4 b) Was the abusing parent spoken to about DVA as part of the assessment (if appropriate)

5. Was consideration given to the involvement of other agencies. EG Did SW consider if specialist DVA services were involved as a result of an earlier referral or should be (& vice versa i.e. did other services consider SW involvement?)

6. Have the following been considered? *Please click if yes*

*History of DVA (including abuser's pattern of assault & coercive behaviours*

*Nature of current violence & abuse*

*Impact of the abuse on the non abusing parent*

*Impact of abuse on the child*

*Impact of the abuse on parenting roles*

*Protective factors*

*Outcomes of non abusing parent's past help seeking*

*Barriers to non abusing parent's help seeking*

7. Is there evidence that the family's identity has been taken into account when assessing both the level of risk and the impact of domestic abuse in the family?

## 4. Quality of Interventions

1. Has the following action been taken? *Please click if yes.*

The abusing parent has been informed of the allegations

The abusing parent has been referred to an accredited perpetrator's programme

The non abusing parent has been advised of local DVA agencies

*Please comment on whether the services were accessible & whether they meet the needs & risks*

2. a) Is a written agreement (WA) in place?

2 b) Does the WA realistically manage risk to the child/non abusing parent? *Please comment*

3. Do interventions appropriately respond to the areas of need and risk highlighted in the assessment? Are they timely?

4. Do interventions consider the following .....*please click if yes*

the child

non abusing parent

abusing parent

5. Has the intervention made the following individuals safe....? *Please click if yes*

the child

non abusing parent

6. Where there are other parental factors e.g. mental health, substance misuse, have the interventions for the non abusing parent/abusing parent taken these into account?

7. Is there evidence of effective multi-agency co-operation and inter agency working including referral to MARAC when it is high risk?

8. Are agencies involved measuring the impact & difference that they are making through the services that are provided?

## 5. Quality of Planning

1. Is there a safety plan in place with the child and the non abusing parent?

2. Does the plan include strategies that the child and non abusing parent identified to keep themselves safe (and are these SMART)?

3. Does the plan include work with the child, non abusing parent and abusing parent?

4. Does the child have someone to support them as follows; Please tick

Practical age appropriate help with safety planning

Therapeutic Support

Other relevant Interventions based on their risk and need

5. Has the plan been explained to the child, non abusing parent and abusing parent?

6. Does the plan include work with extended family members & has it considered risk to the child/non abusing parent in involving extended family?

7. Is the plan reviewed regularly including when there are changes in circumstances?

## 6. Management Oversight

1. Do the records reveal evidence of effective frontline practice and management?

2. Is there evidence of the provision of regular and effective supervision within the services involved with the case, with particular reference to the risks and impact of domestic violence on the child and family?

3. Are decisions clearly recorded and signed off by managers?

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## 7. Overall Judgement

Strengths of Practice: *Please provide details*

Areas in Need of Improvement *Please provide details*

Grading & Rational

Outstanding

Good

Requires Improvement

Inadequate