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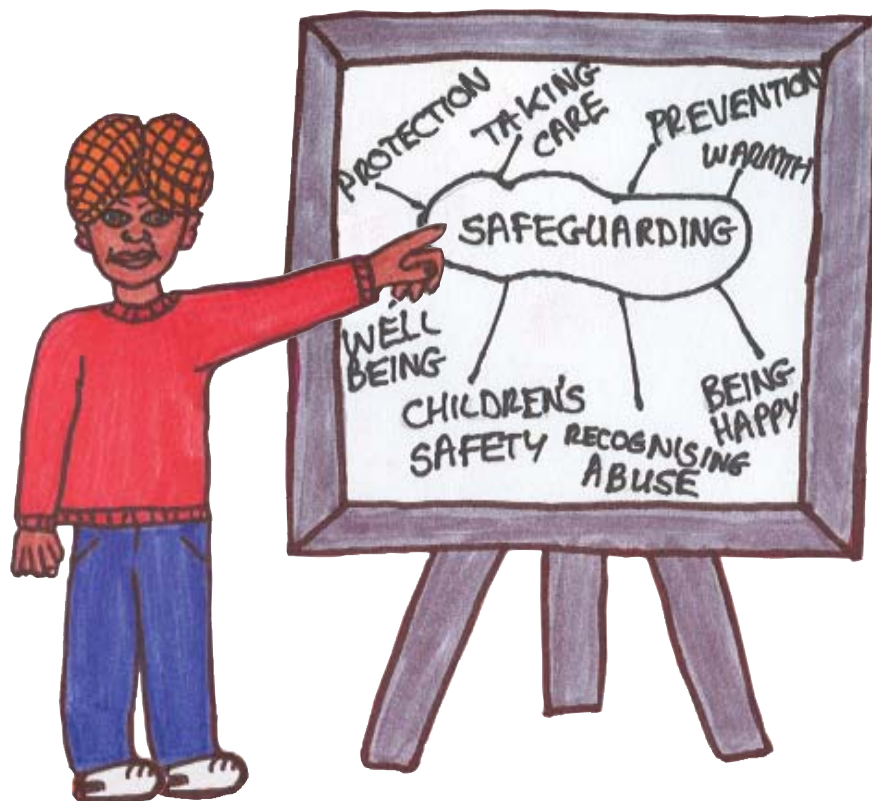


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A Child Protection Conference has said that you need a child protection plan

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What does this mean?

The conference decided that you are at risk of harm and need to be protected.

What happens next?

This means that your parents or the people who look after you, teacher, health visitor and others, have to make a plan to try to make sure that you are kept safe and looked after well. This is called a **Child Protection Plan**.

You will also have a **key worker**, this will be a social worker who will visit you.

What is a core group?

There will be meetings, called core group meetings, at least every six weeks. The child protection conference will have decided which people will go to your core group meetings. These could include you, your parents, carers, your teacher, your key worker and other people who know you well.

The core group will decide what everyone needs to do to make sure you are kept safe and looked after well. This will be written down in your child protection plan.

How long will I have a child protection plan?

Three months after the first conference there will be another meeting called a **Child Protection Review Conference** to see how you are and if things are better for you. This meeting will decide whether you still need a child protection plan. We carry on having these meetings every six months until it is decided that you no longer need a plan.

Who will know that I have a child protection plan?

We will only tell those people who need to know, such as **your teacher, your doctor, your school nurse**.

What if I'm not happy about what happens at a conference?

Tell the social worker or the Independent Reviewing Officer who ran the meeting straight away. It may be possible for the Independent Reviewing Officer to sort this out for you. If not, there are other things you can do, but you need to tell us within 3 working days of the conference.

Ask for our information sheet CSCB5 about Complaints/Appeals,
or look at the CSCB web site at:
www.calderdale-scb.org.uk

Help and advice

If you want help and advice from someone else,
you could ring these numbers or visit these websites:

Childline

Tel: 0800 11 11

www.childline.org.uk

Children's Legal Centre

Tel: 0800 783 2187

www.childrenslegalcentre.com

NSPCC Helpline

Tel: 0808 800 5000

www.nspcc.org.uk/helpandadvice

Time to Talk

'Relate' Helpline for young people aged 10-17

Tel: 01422 363845

Who cares? Linkline

Telephone service for young people in care

Tel: 0500 564570

www.thewhocarestrust.org.uk

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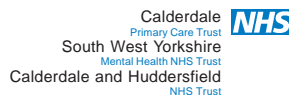
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