

Appendix 2: Child Criminal Exploitation Referral Process

Recognising the Signs (this list is not exclusive and there could be other indicators)

- Persistently going missing from school or home and/or being found out-of-area;
- Unexplained acquisition of money, clothes, or mobile phones
- Excessive receipt of texts/phone calls
- Relationships with controlling/older individuals or groups
- Suspicion of physical assault/unexplained injuries
- Carrying weapons
- Significant decline in school results / performance
- Gang association or isolation from peers or social networks
- Self-harm or significant changes in emotional well-being



Child Criminal Exploitation Concern

Professional concerned young person is at risk of CCE. Contact MASH to check agency involvement



Open Case

If open case to Early Help/YOS/TYSS lead professional should complete Exploitation Tool and return to MASH with indication if additional resources are required. If additional resources are required Strategy meeting to be considered to include (at the minimum) Social Care/TYSS, YOS and lead professional.

Closed Case new service required

Multi-agency referral form to be completed by referring professional and if they have experience the Exploitation Tool. Strategy meet to be considered to include (at the minimum) Social Care, YOS and referring agency. The relevant new involvement will be opened and the Exploitation Assessment and Management Tool will be forwarded.



Emerging

If not open to children's services case will meet Early Help Service threshold and the appropriate plan and management process will be implemented. Young person to receive awareness raising and preventative interventions.

Moderate

Case will meet the threshold for YOS prevention or statutory intervention and if safeguarding concerns Social Care/TYSS intervention. Multi-agency safeguarding and/or safety and risk management process implemented. Young person to receive CCE Intervention

Significant

Case will meet the threshold for Social Care Service/TYSS and if required YOS Prevention or statutory intervention. Multi-agency safeguarding and/or safety and risk management process implemented. Young person to receive CCE Intervention



Exploitation Tracker Status reviewed monthly

Responsible agency to review Exploitation Tracker Tool and young people's status 6 monthly (or sooner if significant incident and transferring or closing case). To notify MET Hub of any updates and status change. Change in service threshold to be reconsidered and actioned.