



LINK SOCIAL WORKER FOR GP SURGERIES 6 MONTH PILOT

WHO – WHAT – HOW - WHY – WHEN



WHO

- Joint initiative between NEE CCG Safeguarding Team and Children's Social Care (N Quadrant)
- Pilot is open to every GP practice in NEE Essex



WHAT

To provide a link between NEE Children's social care and Pilot NEE GP practices to:

- Discuss and exchange safeguarding information, practice, concerns and practice development ideas
- Work collaboratively with nominated NEE Children's social care team managers and the NEE CCG Safeguarding children leads to explore resolutions to any potential conflicts
- Assist surgeries to identify allocated social workers, where not known, for children & young people open to social care.
- To provide a conduit for surgeries to identify the outcomes for section 17/47 enquiries

The link SW WILL NOT undertake referrals to social – all referrals must continue to be made on the FORS form to the Family Operations Hub.



HOW

Practices that wish to be included in the pilot will be assigned an allocated link social worker (Assessment & Intervention Team, Colchester)

Practices can then call their allocated social worker with any queries – or email through to the secure generic A&I team secure gcsx email



WHY

The opportunity to improve joint working to safeguard our vulnerable children and young people



WHEN

Pilot will start on Monday 18th July 2016 and will run for 6 months

The effectiveness of the pilot will be evaluated – your input into the evaluation will help to shape future plans.