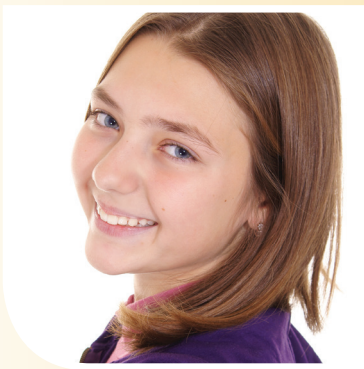


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My Child Protection Conference Pack



How to use this pack

1. Your social worker will tell you about the conference and why it is happening. They will let you know how important it is that you have your say.
2. Together with your social worker, you will fill in this pack as best you can. You can write things down or draw pictures telling the social worker what they mean.

The things that you write or draw will be given to the person in charge of the conference and they will make sure that the people at the conference know what you think. The only people who will see your pack are you, your social worker and the chairperson. Your social worker will keep hold of the pack when you are not using it.

3. When the conference is finished, the social worker will tell you what happened if you were not there, what decisions were made and what happens next.

My social worker is called.....

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All about me

Who is important to me?

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People at the conference need to know about you and what is important to you. You can do this by filling in the following:

My name is:

I am:years old

I live at:

With:

If I was worried about something, I would talk to:

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My conference date is:

My Initial Child Protection Conference

What is a Child Protection Conference?

A Child Protection Conference is a meeting which is held because people like social workers, teachers and doctors are worried that a child or young person may not be safe.

Should I go to the Child Protection Conference?

You should talk to your social worker before deciding whether you want to go to the conference. You may bring an advocate to the conference with you, who can speak on your behalf and ask the conference questions. An advocate can be a friend, relative or professional. Your social worker can help you to understand what an advocate does and how to choose one.

Would you like to attend the Child Protection Conference?

(Please circle)



Yes



No



Not sure

If you decide to go to the conference, you will be able to meet the chairperson before the conference starts. The chairperson's job is to make sure everyone gets a chance to express their views – including you.

If you don't go to the conference, your social worker will talk to you to find out what you think and will pass on your views to everyone at the conference.

Who else goes to the conference?

Your parents or carers are usually invited to the conference. Other people who know you or your family are also invited. Your social worker will always be at the conference. Some people who go to the conference such as the police may not know your family but are there because it is their job to help keep children safe.

Is there anyone who is not invited to the conference you think should be?

Please write here:
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What happens at a Child Protection Conference?

The people at the conference share information about the good things and difficult things in your family and the need to make sure you are safe. After this, they decide whether you need a Child Protection Plan.

What is a Child Protection Plan?

The conference will make a plan to make sure that your family get the right sort of help and make sure that the people who know you will all work together with your family to help make things better. When things do get better and people feel that you are safe, the conference will decide whether a Child Protection Plan is still needed.

How long will the Child Protection Conference last?

The conference has to make an important decision so will listen carefully to all the information from professionals, your family and you. Most conferences last between one and two hours.

Things you may like to tell people at the conference

Do you have any worries or concerns?   

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Do you feel safe?   

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How can we make you feel safe?

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What do you want to happen in the future?

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Is there anything else you want the conference to know?

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Is there anything else you want to ask?

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Do you think you are healthy?

Yes No

If you have any health questions you can talk to your parents, social worker or school nurse.

I like to eat:

1

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2

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3

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I don't like to eat:

1

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2

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3

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If I could I would change:

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About school

My favourite things at school are:

1

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2

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Things that worry me at school are:

1

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I am good at:

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I need help with:

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Where you live

How do you feel about where you live?



Happy



Okay



Sad

I like:

I don't like:

More about me

In my spare time I enjoy:

1

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2

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If I had the chance I would like to:

1

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2

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Social worker's name:.....

Contact number:.....

Address:.....

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