

Early Help Assessment & Plan Practice Pathway Moving from worries... to achieving shared goals





What we aim to do	How will we do this?	How will we work with children and families?	Resources and tools
Moving from the Worries Family owned planning	Talking to families, children/young people and workers. Listening to different perspectives and ideas about: What's working well? What are we worried about? What needs to happen? Identifying everything positive and building on strengths and existing solutions	Working 'with' families rather than 'doing to'	SofS Mapping. Next steps planning Building on existing assessments & plans Timeline for planning and support My 3 houses (or similar) with child/young person
involving a network: Child/young person Parents & carers Family & friends Workers & community	Building a network of support around the child and family: Who are the people who are supporting or could support you? Setting up and supporting an initial Family and Network meeting	Building on strengths and existing solutions	Family Tree/genogram Ecomap Family Safety circles Network finding matrix
support in a learning process, enabling them to decide on and practice actions	Creating an explanation for child/young person: Who's worried? What are we worried about? What are we doing about the worries? Where do we want to get to?	Creating a vision and hope for the future	Words and Pictures
to create and maintain wellbeing and success in their everyday lives	Building a plan with the family and network: How can we do more of what's already working? What are the triggers or stressful times that make things harder to deal with? Who can do what to help and support you in your daily life?	Asking questions	Regular Family Network meetings supporting the family and network to develop a plan and review progress.
to achieving shared Goals	Reviewing progress and strengthening the plan over time so that we can be confident that the plan can work on the difficult and challenging days as well as when things are going well. Who else can support you, your child/young person, your family? Who will do what in the future if the situation changes or problems arise?	Working with compassion and understanding	Safety Journal, Safety Object Scaling progress – are we there yet? Planning for crisis/emergency situations - what is our Plan B?
	Family owned 'everyday' Plan Child's version of the plan		Words and Pictures