

Circle of Support Guidance

The Circle of Support is a family friendly assessment tool which mirrors the Early Help Assessment. You can use this to help structure your discussion about issues and concerns with families, using the questions for both parents and carers and for children and young people as a guide for your conversation.



The front page can be left with the family as a reminder for them of what you have discussed and you can take the other pages as your recording of the meeting to be added to the Early Help Assessment on EHM.

Within the tool, there is a section for each of the 10 Supporting Families Criteria's and the 4 key questions for you to record the information on. Please use the Readiness to Change Model to support families to score each section, and record this on the wheel and on the assessment section.

If a Supporting Families Criteria is not a concern / has no presenting issues then, please score this as a 10 and no further information is required.

For the purposes of the Supporting Families Criteria any scores that are 7+ on the Readiness to Change Model are seen as "outcomes achieved".