If a child is at risk of significant harm follow your agencies safeguarding procedures.

Concerns about the quality of care being provided to a child(ren)

YES

NO

Have I been trained to complete a Graded Care Profile 2 (GCP2) assessment?

Complete the Knowsley Neglect Screening tool

<https://www.knowsleyscp.org.uk/neglect-and-the-graded-care-profile-2/>

Complete a GCP2 and then follow the relevant response & referral pathway

If you have identified a number of concerns that you cannot address, refer to the MASH, attaching the completed Neglect Screening Tool for allocation to the appropriate service to complete GCP2.

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| **GCP2**  | **Description** | **Response/ Referral Pathway**  |
| **1** | **No neglectful parenting** Consistent good quality parenting where the child’s needs are always paramount or a priority.  | Normal universal access  |
| **2** | **No neglectful parenting** Consistent good quality parenting where the child’s needs are always paramount or a priority.  | Normal universal access. Further assessment/ signposting as and when indicated.  |
| **3** | **Mild neglect** Failure to provide care in one or two areas of basic needs, but most of the time a good quality of care is provided across the majority of the domains.  | Support through Early Help likely to be beneficial  |
| **4** | **Moderate neglect** Failure to provide good quality care across quite a number of the areas of the child’s needs some of the time. Can occur when less intrusive measures such as community or single agency interventions have failed, or some moderate harm to the child has or is likely to occur (for example, the child is consistently inappropriately dressed for the weather — wearing shorts and sandals in the middle of winter).  | If you cannot address the concerns as a single agency, a multi-agency intervention is required. This can be through Early help or through a Social Care assessment if a child is in need. Where no improvement (or decline) is evidenced make a referral via a MARF to the MASH requesting a service from Family First or Children’s Social Care. Attach your assessments as evidence of the work undertaken. |
| **5** | **Severe neglect** Failure to provide good quality care across most of the child’s needs most of the time. Occurs when severe or long-term harm has been or is likely to be done to the child or the parents/ carers are unwilling or unable to engage in work.  | A multi agency intervention is required if you cannot address the concerns as a single agency. This can be through Early help or through a Social Care assessment if a child is in need. Where no improvement (or decline) is evident make a referral via a MARF to the MASH requesting a service from Family First or Children’s Social Care. Attach your assessments as evidence of the work undertaken. If child subject to TAF or CP/CIN plan, repeat tool for each review. |