

7 Minute Briefing: Updated PAN Merseyside Multi-Agency Child Exploitation Protocol

The MACE Terms of Reference has been updated to ensure Contextual Safeguarding processes for neighbourhood and associates' and saved on liquid logic.

consistent governance across Merseyside. This meeting will have a greater focus on sharing intelligence, locations and associations and will link into the assessments. A MACE meeting template will be completed on all children discussed in MACE 1. The University of Bedfordshire have completed a review of the CE assessment tool that was piloted in Knowsley and Sefton. Following observations, dip sampling and feedback from practitioners, amendments have been made to make it a contextua safeguarding tool for exploitation.

6. The language has changed in the assessment to reflect that children are victims of exploitation. The new Protocol has a section of suggested language to be used when describing the different behaviours or forms of exploitation.

sections continue to incorporate signs of safety language and practitioners are asked to use the signs of safety scaling at the end of the assessment. The assessment tools MUST be completed in multi-agency forums. To ensure other practitioners that lead on the exploitation work, practitioners can use a template to assist with collating their views (see below).

5. All open cases to early help or children services, if CSE or CCE concerns become apparent then practitioners can start the Child Exploitation Assessment on liquid logic. If you are unsure on case **cannot** be closed if it is in the MACE process.

that have CSE and CCE concerns will continue to be referred into MASH. MASH and EH Triage will made on whether this case requires a Child Exploitation

asks the status of the National Referral Mechanism (NRM) as a prompt for this to be discussed and completed if practitioners are NRM is a multi-agency decision, and it should be agreed who is going to complete and submit the

ACRONYMS:

MACE Multi Agency Child Exploitation

CE Child Exploitation

MASH Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub EH Early Help

Contribution form CE Assessment.doc

Link to Protocol: https://www.knowsleyscp.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/2020-Pan-Merseyside-Multi-Agency-Child-**Exploitation-Protocol.pdf**

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