



# Early Help Assessments process Signs of Well-being

## **Additional Needs identified, EHA initiated and registered, TAF identified, plan created and reviewed and outcomes met**

Closure form completed.

## **TAF identifies that the progress towards bringing about lasting change is slow - or it has stopped**

Consent gained from family to contact the EHO to discuss referral to the Early Help and Family Support Panel for discussion and identification of additional support to address unmet needs.

## **Family do not give consent for referral to the EH and FS panel**

The TAF should assess the impact of this considering the Working with Families who are Hard to Engage Policy and using the Cumbria CSCP Scaling Tool. If the level of risk remains at Early Help then the TAF should continue to meet and re-assess Thresholds on a regular basis seeking advice from the locality EHO - Consider seeking an independent Chair for the TAF if necessary for the next review.

## **TAF believe that the Threshold for CIN or CP has been met**

Inform the family and contact the Cumbria Safeguarding Hub using the Single Agency Referral Form clearly outlining what work has been undertaken with the family, attaching the Early Help Assessment and the decision of any previous referrals to the EH Panel or giving reasons as to why referral to the panel has not been undertaken. No referral that doesn't meet the criteria for CIN or CP should be referred to the Safeguarding Hub. All referrals into the Safeguarding Hub should come as a coordinated response from the Team Around The family and not from an individual agency - other than when a young person is at immediate risk of harm.

## **A referral into the Safeguarding Hub has an EHA in place but it is screened not to meet the threshold for CIN or CP**

The referrer will be recommended to discuss the circumstances with the district EHO regarding referral to the Early Help Panel to discuss further sources of support.

## **A referral into the Safeguarding Hub does not have an EHA in place and does not meet the Threshold for CIN or CP**

The referrer will be recommended to gain consent from the family to initiate an EHA and pull together a TAF.

## **Glossary**

**EHA** - Early Help Assessment, **EHO** - Early Help Officer, **TAF** - Team Around the Family,  
**CIN** - Child In Need, **CP** - Child Protection.