

**Child Sexual Exploitation Risk Assessment Information Form**

This child sexual exploitation (CSE) risk assessment information form should be completed prior to, and alongside the Child Sexual Exploitation Risk Assessment. **All** of the following information is required when there are concerns regarding a child being at risk of /or experiencing CSE.

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| **Named worker leading on the Risk Assessment** |  | **Contact Details** |  | **Date** |  |
| **Line manager /designated CP lead of named worker** |  | **Contact details** |  | **Date** |  |

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| **Child’s full name (+ aliases)** | **D.O.B.** | **Age** | **Home Address and contact number** | **Participated** | |
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| **Emergency contact** | **Gender** | **Ethnicity** | **Details of Primary Carer** | **First language** | |
|  | **M / F** |  |  |  | |
| **Placement Address and contact number (if applicable)** | **Foster Care** | **Adopted** | **Reference / I.D Number (if applicable)** | **CPP Status :** | |
|  | **Y / N** | **Y / N** |  | **Previous** |  |
| **Current** |  |
| **Legal Status** | **Disability** | **Religion** | **GP Details & contact number** | **Sexual orientation** | |
|  | **Y / N** |  |  |  | |
| **Is the Child or Young Person missing?** | **Known to Police** | **Known to YOS** | **Type of Form** | **Known to CAMHS** | |
| **Initial /Review** |
| **Y / N** | **Y / N** | **Y / N** |  | **Y / N** | |

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| * **Please provide any other relevant details** |
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| \*Such as professional relationships |

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**Child Sexual Exploitation Risk Assessment**

**The West Yorkshire Child Sexual Exploitation Risk Assessment should be developed alongside with and complimenting any other plan for the young person’s welfare. Please use this tool in line with local LSCB Procedures**

**Professional Assessment of CSE Risk Indicators**

* In order to identify children at risk of sexual exploitation or experiencing sexual exploitation and follow a clear plan of effective inter-agency action, consider **ALL** of the 14 risk indicators and record a level of risk against each, before proceeding according to local procedures.
* **Note:** where a child under the age of 13 years old, and /or has learning disability and there are concerns regarding sexual exploitation, a referral to Children’s Social Work Services is required.
* The 14 main heading risk indicators are not exhaustive; they are simply those mostly commonly recognised which may indicate a risk of sexual exploitation; there may be other relevant factors present which require consideration and analysis. **One** tick in a high risk box, or several in low risk may indicate a serious risk of sexual exploitation, alternatively this might be an indication of other concerns that require addressing via the child’s overall plan, or by accessing other appropriate services
* The risk and vulnerability factors provided against each of the 14 risk indicator headings are also not exhaustive; they are simply prompts for consideration. Consequently, the recorded risk for each of the 14 risk indicators does not necessarily need to correspond with the risk and vulnerability factors highlighted. It is therefore important to provide analysis to evidence how the assessment of an individual risk indicator has been achieved.
* When assessing a child or young person’s risk of CSE, it is essential to highlight if the concerns and the information being provided is **current or historic**. If the concern or information is historic but relevant, it necessary to evidence how this relates to the current assessed risk.
* When completing the CSE risk assessment, it is crucial that the child or young person’s use of **social media** is considered throughout.

\*Please indicate a level of assesses risk against **ALL** the following 14 risk indicators

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| **Family and peer**  **relationships** | **Risk Indicator** | | |
| No risk identified | No concerns identified in this area which relate to sexual exploitation. |  |
| Low | Carer(s) show warmth, support the child and have positive communication with the child  Appropriate boundaries are in place and effective.  The child /young person has positive friendships  But reported reduced contact with family /friends which is of concern and /or there is an unexplained change in attitude from the child /young regarding the relationship, which raises some concerns. |  |
| Medium | Carer(s) lack understanding, tolerance and warmth towards the child. Parents fail to report missing episodes  Family relationships are strained.  Friends /carers report a change in behaviour /reduced contact Appropriate boundaries are not always adhered to  Family /Friends /peers are known offenders. |  |
| High | Suspected abuse in family (emotional, neglect, physical or sexual)  There is little or no communication between the carer(s).  There is a lack of warmth/understanding, / attachment and /or trust.  Parents fail to report missing episodes / Parent/Carer does not implement age appropriate boundaries  Breakdown in family relationships / no contact.  Family /Friends /peers are known offenders.  Child /young person is socially isolated from peers  Friends are assessed to be at risk of CSE |  |
| **Analysis** |  | | |

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| **Accommodation** | **Risk Indicator** | | |
| No risk identified | No concerns identified in this area which relate to sexual exploitation |  |
| Low | Some accommodation issues / concerns, but overall accommodation meets the child /young person’s needs and the child is happy |  |
| Medium | Unsuitable/ unstable / temporary/overcrowded/hostel /refuge/ unsupported. The child /young person is unhappy with their accommodation and this impacts on their risk of CSE.  Lives in a gang neighbourhood |  |
| High | Unsuitable /unstable / temporary/ overcrowded/hostel /refuge/unsupported. Concerns about location and isolation  The child /young person is unhappy with their accommodation and often stays elsewhere.  Homeless or Sofa surfing  Care leaver or Looked After Child |  |
| **Analysis** |  | | |

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| **Education** | **Risk Indicator** | | |
| No risk Identified | No concerns identified in this area which relate to sexual exploitation |  |
| Low | Mainly engaged in employment / school /training  Some truanting but limited concerns, mainly positive friendships in education /training or employment setting. |  |
| Medium | Full time education /training or employment but irregular /poor attendance / whereabouts during school hours often unknown.  Attendance at PRU /poor attendance  Regular breakdown of school /training placements due to behavioural problems.  Friendships in education /training or employment setting are with others at risk of CSE  Noticeable change in attendance, performance or behaviour |  |
| High | Regular breakdown of school /training placements due to behavioural problems. Not engaged in education/employment or motivated to be. Excluded.  Whereabouts often unknown.  Friendships /peer groups either within or outside the education/ employment /training setting are with others at risk of CSE |  |
| **Analysis** |  | | |

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| **Emotional Health** | **Risk Indicator** | | |
| No risk identified | No concerns identified in this area which may relate to sexual exploitation |  |
| Low | Concerns regarding fatigue, poor self-image, expressions of despair, low mood, Self-harm, Cutting, Overdosing, Eating disorder. Some sexualised risk taking |  |
| Medium | Low self-esteem / self-confidence, expression of despair. Internal Self-harm: Cutting, Overdosing, Eating disorder  Sexualised risk taking  External (intensive acting out): Bullying / threatening behaviour, aggression, violent outbursts, Offending behaviour, sexualised risk taking. Concerning substance misuse |  |
| High | Chronic low self-esteem / self confidence  Mental health problems, expression of despair  Internal (Self-harm)- Cutting , Overdosing, Eating disorder  Previous suicide attempts, sexualised risk taking  External (intensive acting out) - Bullying / threatening behaviour, Violent outbursts, Offending behaviour, Repeated sexualised risk taking. Dependency on substances /alcohol. |  |
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| **Experience of Violence** | **Risk Indicator** | | |
| No risk identified | No concerns identified in this area which relate to sexual exploitation. |  |
| Low | No known reported incidents of the child /young person being a victim of violence or witnessing domestic abuse, (including peer relationships) although some professional concerns. |  |
| Medium | Concerns that the child /young person has been /is being exposed to violence in the home and /or from others. Abusive significant relationship  Physical symptoms suggestive of physical /sexual assault. Disclosure of physical / sexual assault followed by withdrawal of allegation.  Living in a gang neighbourhood |  |
| High | Known abuse towards the child /young person from family members  Peers /older friends/partners are violent towards the child /young person. Abusive significant relationship  Physical injuries – external / internal / disclosure of physical / sexual assault.  Evidence of coercion /control |  |
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| **Running away / going missing** | **Risk Indicator** | | |
| No risk identified | No concerns identified in this area which relate to sexual exploitation. Concerns relate to behaviours which fall within normal child /young person behaviour. |  |
| Low | Often comes home late / Incidents of absence without permission and returning late. Whereabouts often unknown. |  |
| Medium | Often staying out late or overnight without permission /explanation. Whereabouts at times unknown child /young person secretive about where whereabouts.  Repeated episodes of running away / going missing / away from placement. (Including short periods)  Regular breakdown of placements due to behavioural problems. |  |
| High | Frequently reported missing due to /extensive and /or frequent periods of missing /running away /away from placement. whereabouts often unknown  Missing with others known to be at risk of CSE  Looking well cared for /not hungry, despite having no known base.  Regular breakdown of placements due to behavioural problems.  Pattern of street homelessness. |  |
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| **Contact with abusive adults and / or risky environments** | **Risk Indicator** | | |
| No risk identified | No concerns identified in this area which relate to sexual exploitation. Child / Young person has a good understanding of exploitative / abusive behaviour and can use it to keep themselves safe (including how to stay safe on social media /internet) |  |
| Low | Associating with unknown adults and /or other children at known to be at risk of sexual exploitation.  Living in a gang neighbourhood  Accessing one or more social networking sites and may be ‘friends’ with a number of unknown people, but there are limited concerns |  |
| Medium | Associating with unknown adults and/or other sexually exploited children /young people  Extensive use of phone (particularly late at night, & secret use) May have use of more than one mobile phone.  Has access to premises not know to parent / carer  Reports from reliable sources, suggesting involvement in sexual exploitation.  Reported to have been in in areas where there are concerns related to sexual exploitation and /or street sex work is known to take place  Some understanding of abusive / exploitative behaviour and may recognise risks but unable/unwilling to apply knowledge. |  |
| High | And /or  Evidence of association /relationships with adults /older peers believed /known to be involved in grooming /exploitation.  Willing to meet up with people they have only met online  Seen /or picked up, in areas where street sex work is known to take place‘  Gang association either through relatives, peers or intimate relationships  Very limited or no recognition of abusive / exploitative behaviour |  |
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| **Substance misuse** | **Risk Indicator** | | |
| No risk identified | No concerns identified in this area which relate to sexual exploitation. |  |
| Low | Mild use of substances (including alcohol) drugs /alcohol, but concerns relate to behaviours which fall within normal experimental behaviour |  |
| Medium | Evidence of regular substance (including alcohol) use  Concerns for use / dependency & change / increase of use  Some concerns regarding how substance misuse is being funded  Concerns regarding how substances are being accessed |  |
| High | Evidence of heavy /dependant /worrying substance misuse (including alcohol). Chronic dependency of highly addictive substances. Increased concerns for use / dependency and funding and supply of usage. |  |
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| **Coercion / control** | **Risk Indicator** | | |
| No risk identified | No concerns identified in this area which relate to sexual exploitation |  |
| Low | Some concerns about coercion /control within significant relationships.  Reduced contact with family / friends, which raises concern. |  |
| Medium | Limited contact with family / friends. Appears to be ‘controlled’ / negatively influenced by others  Concerns about significant relationships and domestic abuse / violence  Disclosure of physical / sexual assault followed by withdrawal of allegation.  Physical injuries – external / internal  Child / Young person is known to be associating with risky adults and /or peers and does want to alter this. |  |
| High | No contact with family / friends  Disclosure of physical / sexual assault followed by withdrawal of allegation. Physical injuries – external / internal. Significant relationship (s) is assessed to involve abuse /violence/ or is controlling.  Abduction / forced imprisonment  Disappears from system (no contact with support systems)  Gang association through relatives / peers or intimate relationships.  Child / Young person is actively involved with a gang or criminal group or associated to gang members |  |
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| **Rewards** | **Risk Indicator** | | |
| No risk identified | No concerns identified in this area which relate to sexual exploitation |  |
| Low | Some unaccounted for monies and / or goods ( new clothes, make –up, mobile top-ups, etc) and ability to fund non tangible goods |  |
| Medium | Concerns about unaccounted for monies and / or goods, (new clothes, make –up, jewellery and mobile phones, mobile phone top –ups etc. Concerns regarding the funding of misuse of drugs /alcohol /use of tobacco through unknown sources  Some concerns about how the child / young person funds other items ( fast food , taxi fares, etc) |  |
| High | Significant concerns regarding unaccounted for monies and / or goods, especially jewellery, items of clothing and mobile phones, which the child / young person is unable to provide explanation for.  Has use of more than one mobile phone.  Significant concerns about who / how the child / young person funds items such as fast food , taxi fares, alcohol and substance use, cigarettes, entry into clubs, trips away from home, etc. |  |
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| **Sexual health**  **& relationships** | **Risk Indicator** | | |
| No risk identified | No concerns identified in this area which relate to sexual exploitation, is not sexually active and is aware of where to get support and advice when needed. |  |
| Low | Young person is sexually active and in an equal consensual relationship with a peer. Young person does not feel pressured, they feel they can say ‘no’ and is following ‘safe sex’ advice  Possible evidence of having /had a sexually transmitted disease |  |
| Medium | Recurring or more than one sexually transmitted disease  Miscarriage(s) /concerns about untreated STi’s, termination(s) Pregnancy.  Young person is sexually active, is not practising safe sex and is not accessing /willing to access support from any sexual health services. |  |
| High | Recurring or multiple STI’s. Concerns about untreated STi’s  Miscarriage(s), Termination(s) pregnancy.  Physical symptoms suggestive of sexual assault.  Young person presents as feeling pressured to have sex or to perform sexual acts in exchange for status /protection, possessions, substances or affection,  Young person is in a sexual relationship with an adult / there is a wide age gap,  Child is under 13 and sexually active, or  Sex is non-consensual –young person is experiencing violence or coercion with sex, or are unable to consent due to intoxication /substance misuse.  Child / Young person is made to watch sexual acts being performed on others |  |
| **Analysis** |  | | |

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| **Sexualised Risk Taking** | **Risk Indicator** | | |
| No risk identified | No concerns identified in this area which relate to sexual exploitation. |  |
| Low | Some concerns about sexualised dress / attire.  Some reports ( to parent /carers)about getting into cars with unknown peers /adults  Contacting unknown adults /older peers through the internet, but concerns are limited. |  |
| Medium | Overt sexualised dress / attire.  Reports of getting into cars with unknown peers / adults  Has access to premises unknown to parents/carers  Concerns about proactive inappropriate /risky use of the internet and social media, sharing of images, sexting, making contact with adults / peers via social media  Older boyfriend (5 + years) |  |
| High | Overt sexualised dress / attire.  Reports of getting into cars with unknown peers /adults  Accessing premises which are unknown to parents /carers  Clipping (offering to have sex and then running upon payment)  Has posted inappropriate language / information / sexual pictures, when asked to by an adult / older peer / unknown person, and /or proactively uses the internet /social media to share images, make contact / arrange to meet up with adults / peers  Socialises with children /young people/adults known to be involved with sexual exploitation.  Evidence of sexualised bullying via the internet /social media sites.  Older boyfriend (s) .girlfriend ( 5+ years) |  |
| **Analysis** |  | | |

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| **Risk to others** | **Risk Indicator** | | |
| No risk identified | No concerns identified in this area which relate to sexual exploitation |  |
| Low | No identified risk to others, but mild concerns about influence on other children & young people relating to CSE. |  |
| Medium | Concerns regarding negative influence on others relating to CSE.  Concerns that the child might expose other children to risky situations /places /people. Bullying and threatening behaviour  Offending behaviour |  |
| High | Places other children at risk of child sexual exploitation, via friendships, associations, venues. Displays violence towards others, angry outbursts (including family members and carers)  Bullying and threatening behaviour. Offending behaviour  Gang association either through relatives, peers or intimate relationships |  |
| **Analysis** |  | | |

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| **Engagement with services** | **Risk Indicator** | | |
| No risk identified | No concerns identified in this area which relate to sexual exploitation. Concerns relate to behaviours which relate to normal child / young person behaviours. |  |
| Low | Lack of engagement, some difficulty in contacting the child /young person which raises concern. |  |
| Medium | Some engagement but sporadic contact, often misses appointments, limited explanation, professional concern, sudden or lack of engagement, secretive and unwilling to engage meaningfully |  |
| High | Brief engagement, frequently fails to attend appointments, or no contact/ engagement with services. Limited explanations / secretive and unwilling to engage meaningfully, concerning change in behaviour. |  |
| **Analysis** |  | | |

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| **Other child & family factors to consider.** (Please highlight if any are relevant.) | **Family: Including:** Abuse /neglect in the family.Parental Substance misuse, Parental mental health. Adult prostitution.)    **Child: Including:** Learning disabilities, Financially unsupported, Migrant /refugee /asylum seeker. Recent bereavement or loss or illness of a significant person in the child’s life. Unsure about sexual orientation or unable to disclose sexual orientation to their families, Young carer. |
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| **Views of the child or young person** |  |

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| **Views of the parent / carer** |  |

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| **Other information** | (\*Such as the name of adults /peers about who there are concerns, relating to the child’s risk of CSE) |

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| **Overall analysis** |  |

**What Next**

* On completion of this risk identification tool, please make an initial judgement about the level of risk of Child Sexual Exploitation for the child / young person.
* Please **tick** against your assessed level of risk and discuss this with your Team Manager /designated Child Protection Lead and take appropriate action to manage the risks, in accordance with the Local Authority / LSCB CSE procedures.

**Overall Assessed Level of CSE Risk**

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| **No risk** | Whilst there may be concerns for the welfare of the child /young person, which may involve the requirement of service provision, for other assessed risks, the assessment or risk indicates that there is no current risk of the child /young person being at risk of, or experiencing sexual exploitation. |  |
| **Low Risk** | The indicators and assessment raise some concerns that the child /young person is at risk of sexual exploitation, and /or places him /or herself at risk.  Concern that the child / young person is at risk of being targeted or groomed, but there are positive protective factors in the child /young person life. |  |
| **Medium Risk** | The assessment indicates that the child /young person is vulnerable to being sexually exploited / but that there are no immediate /urgent safeguarding concerns. There is evidence the child /young person may be a risk of opportunistic abuse, or is being targeted /groomed.  The child /young person may experience protective factors, but circumstances and /or behaviours place him / her at risk of sexual exploitation. |  |
| **Highest Risk** | Indicators /Assessment /Evidence /disclosure, suggests that the child /young person is assessed to be engaged in high risk situations / relationships /risk taking behaviour and is at immediate risk of, or is experiencing sexual exploitation. (They may not recognise this) |  |

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| **Line Manager/ Designated Child Protection lead verification** |  | **Date agreed** |  |

**Review timescales**

* For those children and young people who are judged to be at low, medium or high risk of Child Sexual Exploitation, the level of risk must be reviewed at the following frequency:

**Low risk – every 3months**

**Medium risk – every 3 months**

**High risk – bi - monthly**

**Please send this assessment electronically via secure email to:**

**Alternatively please share this Assessment with:**