

*There is a plan in place, but I remain concerned for the child's safety. I can't seem to get the family to understand what I am concerned about...*

Try the following:

- Discuss your concerns with your line manager, the named person within your organisation who has responsibility for child protection, or, where the child is subject to a Child Protection Plan, the Chair of the Child Protection Conference.
- Ask for the review to be brought forward.
- Produce a multi-agency chronology.
- Reflect on concerns in relation to the child and parent and the effectiveness of the current plan.
- Be mindful of the level of cognitive ability of the family and adjust your language accordingly (particularly relevant with families with significant learning disabilities).
- Use tools/resources to consolidate concerns.
- Seek legal advice about commencing the Public Law Outline (Social Care staff only).

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