

Police

Opportunities for gathering information on adults in a household

Aim: to be aware of significant adults living with, or having a significant impact on, the lives of children.

Control Room/PCC/Station Enquiry/Custody Centre Staff

Gather full information at every opportunity

Seek information to establish identity of all adults involved.

Unidentified Adults: Any unknown adults who are capable of protecting the child? Or who pose a risk to the child?

Who else is living in the home? Who else regularly visits the home?

Voice of the Child: How is the child? Are they well? How do they feel about the adult/s?

Check and update all records and link all persons and addresses



R & P/P & N/Investigations/Roads Policing/All Specialist Teams

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When visiting child/family, seek further information, including from extended family

Unidentified Adults: Any unknown adults who are capable of protecting the child? Or who pose a risk to the child?

a. Who else is living in the home? Who else regularly visits the home?

When did they arrive? Where did they come from? Why are they here? What connections to the family? Do you know them well, their background? What do they do with the family?

b. Who else has contact with the child/family?

What is their relationship? What contact? When, where, why?

Voice of the Child: How is the child? Do they appear well? How do they feel about the adult/s?

Assess against: [HSCB Thresholds Chart](#) and [HSCB Recognising Neglect in Children](#)

Observations whilst visiting: Health and well-being, home conditions, relationships?

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MASH

Check information on Referrals/PPN1s is updated and accurate on all records

Link all persons and addresses with correct designation (Residence, Address sometimes used, etc)

Use wildcard searches, and if there are duplicate records, merge to one accurate record

Where new information comes to light the adult/s in the household would be asked for clarification as to the identity of 'new' household members or of key adults who are taking an active role in a child's life

Depending on the incident involving the child detailed information would be requested about any adult/new adult so that formal checks could be made on databases that Police have access to.