

Neglect

“Practice Points” Learning Scenarios

To be discussed in Team/Group Sessions – 15-minute discussion

The WSSCP invite you, in team meetings or during group supervision, to discuss a child safeguarding issue. We encourage responses to be included in your team minutes and forwarded to the safeguarding lead within your organisation.

We hope that this is a way in which frontline staff across the city can explore some areas of learning without the need to attend formal training. It should also highlight areas of further learning.

We are happy to help with access to relevant learning materials

Consider the following question and discuss.....

A child aged 12 years in your care is always late for the start of the day, having had to take their siblings to school; they also mention that they are hungry. On a recent home visit, re the poor attendance, the house was in poor condition and smelt of urine.



What would you do to assist this young person?



Points for discussion:

How would you progress this matter?

What further information would you like from the mother or child?

Would you advise the family of your concerns?

How would you assess this risk?

Do you require any further information from other agencies and how might you obtain this?

What is your role in this situation?

If you are leading this discussion here is information for you to explore to assist with the discussion:

West Sussex Safeguarding Children Partnership (Neglect Tools and Resources)
<https://www.westsussexscp.org.uk/neglect/>

NSPCC
<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/child-abuse-and-neglect/neglect/signs-symptoms-effects-neglect/>

Childline
<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/abuse-safety/neglect/?>

GOV.UK
<https://www.gov.uk/topic/schools-colleges-childrens-services/safeguarding-children>

There may be other information available, and links to these maybe held within the information above.

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