

## Universal - Level 1

No referral required.

### Child / Young Person’s Developmental Needs:

I am meeting my expected academic progress.  
I am meeting my expected developmental milestones.  
I regularly attend school/training/college.  
There are no concerns about my mental health.  
I am physically health and have had all my health checks.  
There are no concerns about my attitude to drugs or alcohol.  
I regularly exercise and eat a healthy diet.  
I know who I am and confident with that.  
I feel good about my abilities.  
I am emotionally resilient.  
I have strong friendships.  
No one close to me has died.  
I am respectful and positive towards others when I interact with them.  
I know I belong and am accepting of others.  
My behaviour is manageable, and I engage in play that you expect for my age.  
I do not engage in illegal behaviour.  
I have an age-appropriate awareness of what is ‘safe’ and ‘unsafe’.  
I do not run away from home or go missing.  
I do not have to care for others in my family.

### Parental and Family Factors:

I am dressed appropriately.  
Any injuries I have are from with normal play (e.g. bruises on shins).  
There is no violence in my home.  
I am protected from danger and significant harm and am not exposed to any physical, emotional or sexual abuse.  
I have stable and affectionate relationships with my parents/carers and good core relationships with my siblings.  
My parents/carers have positive and healthy relationships with others.  
My parents/carers can meet my needs, including taking me to school and all my health appointments.  
My parents/carers are not misusing alcohol and drugs and these substances do not impact their ability to care for me.  
My parents/carers provide me with guidance and boundaries to support my development.  
My parents/carers provide me with secure and caring parenting.  
My parents/carers can manage my behaviours.  
My parents/carers access ante/post-natal care.  
My parents/carers are coping with their role of parents/carers and know where to get support.  
My parents/carer’s health has no impact on me.  
My family has no history of criminal behaviour or gang activity.  
My family has no support for extremist causes.

### Environmental Factors:

My family is engaged with the community.  
My family are able to manage their financial responsibilities and provide for my best interests with these finances.  
I live in stable, clean, warm and safe housing.  
My neighbourhood is safe and encourages me to be a positive citizen.  
My family and I are legally allowed to stay in the UK and access public fund and education.



## Children in need of early help - Level 2

No referral to MASH required however may need cluster referral.

### Child / Young Persons’ Developmental Needs:

I am achieving under my academic expectations.  
I need a bit of support to meet my developmental milestones.  
I am at risk of no education, employment or training (NEET).  
I am occasionally truant or regularly late to school.  
I have a physical/mental health concern and/or disability.  
I have missed some health checks or immunisations (including appointments at sexual health services).  
I have persistent minor health problems.  
I am not able to protect myself from Sexually Transmitted Infections and/or pregnancy in my relationships.  
I am experimenting with drug and alcohol misuse.  
I am not regularly exercising and/or have a poor diet.  
My disability can limit my self-care.  
I have poor hygiene and/or tooth decay.  
I do not like myself.  
I feel distressed and need a bit of support to deal with this.  
I do not have many friends.  
Someone close to be has died but I am coping with some support.  
I struggle with speech and communication.  
I am bullied or I am bullying others.  
I sometimes have challenging or disruptive behaviour.  
I sympathise with extreme ideology but lose interest quickly.  
I sometimes struggle to control myself.  
I may explore the internet/social media unsupervised.  
I sometimes run away from home or school.  
Sometimes I care for others in my family.

### Parental and Family Factors:

Sometimes my clothes are dirty and/or inappropriate.  
I occasionally have less-common injuries consistent with accidents.  
There is some abuse in my family, but I am protected from this.  
My parents/carers have isolated incidence of violence (emotional/physical) but I am protected from this.  
I am physical chastised within legal limits which may escalate.  
My culture has harmful transitional practices which are prevalent, but I am protected from these.  
Occasionally my family does not provide me with my physical and material needs or stimulation.  
My parents/carers use substance or alcohol which impacts their parenting, but they still are meeting my needs.  
My siblings are misusing drugs and alcohol.  
My parents/carer are ambivalent about ante/post-natal care where they have missed some appointments.  
My parents/carer are struggling to adjust to parenthood.  
My parents/carers have difficulties with my behaviour, sleep, or feeding but are wanting support.  
My parents can be inconsistent and overly critical towards me.  
I do not have routines or boundaries.  
There is physical/mental ill health or disability in my family that can take focus away from my needs.  
My family has a history of criminal or gang activity.  
Someone in my family has extreme views but I do not.  
I am made to feel uncomfortable about my sexuality by family.

### Environmental Factors:

My family is socially isolated from the community.  
Sometimes my family does not have food, warmth or clothing due to financial mismanagements.  
My house is not clean, and this could impact me.  
My neighbours have antisocial behaviour that is starting to affect me.  
I am known to be in a group where there are antisocial or harassing behaviours.  
My family has temporary right to remain and this impacts me.  
Me or my family are loosely linked to proscribed organisations.  
I have been the victim of a crime.

## Children in need of targeted or specialist support - Level 3

A referral to MASH may be required.

### Child / Young Person’s Developmental Needs:

I am seriously underachieving even with additional support.  
I need targeted support to meet my milestones.  
I refuse to engage in employment, education or training (NEET).  
I have very low attendance and am frequently truant from school.  
I have a physical/mental health concern and/or disability that significantly impacts my daily functioning.  
I have chronic health issues due to a lack of access to services.  
I am chronically ill or have a life-limiting illness.  
I have had multiple Sexually Transmitted Infections.  
I do not exercise and have a poor diet that impacts my health even with sustained interventions.  
I have dependency on substances that has secondary impacts.  
I do not like myself which stops me from doing things.  
I think of suicide and am self-harming.  
I do not have friends.  
Someone close to me has died and I am not coping.  
I really struggle with speech and communication.  
I am regularly the victim or perpetrator of bullying.  
I regularly have challenging and disruptive behaviour.  
I am supportive of extreme views and violent behaviour.  
I regularly struggle to control myself.  
My use of the internet/social media is harmful to me/others  
I share/have been sent sexual images.  
I regularly run away from home or go missing.  
I care for others in my family which is a barrier for my needs.

### Parental and Family Factors:

My clothes are regularly dirty and/or inappropriate.  
I have injuries that are accounted for but frequent.  
My parents/carer may have inappropriate sexual behaviour.  
My mother is pregnant and has been a past victim of abuse.  
My parents/carers have a history of domestic abuse which may continue to be a concern and present in my life.  
My family has previously been on a child protection plan.  
My parents are using physical chastisement outside of legal limits.  
I may be involved in harmful traditional practices from my culture.  
My family often does not provide for my physical or material needs which make me vulnerable to grooming.  
My family misuses substances that consistently impacts me.  
My parents do not comfort me when I am distressed.  
My parents/carers are not accessing ante/post-natal care.  
My parent/carer has postnatal depression.  
My parents/carers struggle to parent me and don’t want support.  
I do not have routines or boundaries which impacts me.  
There is physical/mental ill health or disability in my family that is impacting my own needs.  
My family has a history of violent or serious crime and there is known gang involvement or drug supply offences.  
My family home has been used for criminal activity.  
I am exposed to activity that endorses/supports extremism.

### Environmental Factors:

My family are social excluded from the community.  
Often my family does not have food, warmth or clothing due to other choices of spending.  
My house is dirty, and this is impacting my health and safety.  
I have been a victim of a crime and am likely to be again.  
My friend group engages in offending and violent behaviour.  
There is a lot of crime in my neighbourhood which impacts me.  
My family are in the process of eviction or live in an overcrowded home.  
I am at risk of deportation and have limited access to funds.  
My family have identified links to proscribed organisations.

## Children at risk of significant harm - Level 4

An urgent referral to MASH.

### Child / Young Person’s Developmental Needs:

I am impaired from meeting my developmental milestones and am significantly delayed due to this.  
I have complex physical/mental health concerns and/or disability that have a significant adverse impact on me.  
I have complex and chronic health issues due to a lack of access to services.  
I am not growing or developing properly with no medical reason for this.  
I do not exercise and have a poor diet where I am at risk of significant harm despite the interventions provided.  
I have a dependency on substances where I am at risk of significant harm.  
I have been physically and/or sexually assaulted.  
I am significantly emotionally abused by my parent/carer/partner.  
I have left my home because I am not safe there.  
I am seriously self-harming and/or have plans for suicide.  
I am being exploited by others or actively groomed.  
Someone close to me has died and I feel suicidal or am going missing.  
I have little/no communication skills.  
I am the victim or perpetrator of persistent/serious bullying.  
I am involved in persistent serious criminal activities.  
I am known to be in a gang.  
I actively express support for extremist and violent ideologies.  
I have no self-control which puts me and/or others in harm.  
I am persistently missing.  
I’ve been arrested/under suspicion for drug offences outside of London.  
I care for others in my family which stops me caring for myself.

### Parental and Family Factors:

I consistently wear dirty and inappropriate clothes impacting my wellbeing.  
I am a non-mobile child/baby with a bruise/injury.  
I am being sexually abused by my family.  
My mother is pregnant and is the victim of domestic violence.  
I am at significant risk because my parents/carers are not able to protect me from known abusers in, or coming to, our family home.  
There is regular violence in my home.  
I am at risk because my parent/carer has abused/neglected another child.  
I am being forced to marry someone I don’t want to.  
I am subject to harmful traditional practices from my culture.  
My parents actively dissuade me from my needs (e.g. education)  
My parents/carers misuse substances and cannot care for me daily.  
My parent/carer has serious postnatal depression where I am at risk.  
My parents/carers cannot manage my needs and actively refuse support.  
I am at significant risk due to being left at home alone without adequate supervision or support.  
I am at significant risk because my parents/carers are not supporting my medical or development needs.  
There is physical/mental ill health or disability in my family that is placing me at risk of significant harm.  
My family is involved in violent or serious crime and there is known gang involvement or drug supply offences by the family.  
There is evidence that my family are planning to travel to a conflict zone to participate in extremist activity.

### Environmental Factors:

My family are socially excluded from the community and I am deliberately isolated from support.  
My family consistently doesn’t have food, warmth or clothing due to other spending being prioritised.  
I am homeless.  
There is a lot of violent crime and gang activity in my neighbourhood and this has an impact on me.  
I am exploiting or being exploited into crime and/or sex.  
I am seeking asylum alone.  
I am or my family are being trafficked.  
I am and/or my family are part of a proscribed organisation.  
I am the victim of serious and escalating bullying.  
I am experiencing peer on peer abuse and being forced to do things.