CP Medical Process Salford

Professionals (Health / Police / Social Care including Disability Social Worker / Education/ Voluntary Sector) concerned about risk of or actual harm to a child (0 – 18 years) in the situation encountered.

If life Threatening → Arrange to go to PANDA (10 – 16 years) or A&E (16-18 years) for medical assessment and care –call 999. Professional to notify Children's services and police

Child not in need of immediate medical care

Referring professional has knowledge that case is already open to allocated social worker with Salford Children's Services

Yes → Discuss with allocated Social Worker for further action & document

NO

During routine hours (8.30-4.30 Monday to Friday) Professional to refer to Bridge immediately via telephone 0161 603 4500 , followed by written referral on www.salford.gov.uk/bridgereferral within 24 hours . If concerns identified out of hours, professional to discuss with Duty Team Social Worker (0161 794 88 88). Do not refer child to GP for assessment

Multiagency strategy discussion at BRIDGE (minimum Health / Police / Social Care +/- other agencies) during routine hours. If out of hours, social worker to discuss with Senior within the Social Care team. If ongoing criminal investigation, police to liaise with health and attend medical to enable appropriate assessment and opinion.

→ Allegation of / concerns of sexual abuse

Social Care and Police to take lead of process

Refer direct to Sexual Assault Referral Centre St Mary's hospital (0161 276 65 15) not Salford Royal Foundation Trust for assessment

Discussion to undertake S47 assessment

Social Worker to inform parents of need for S47 assessment and obtain consent

Consent obtained

Normal working hours Mon-Fri 9am – 5pm

Out of Hours (Note arrange medical on same day with PANDA if non-mobile child) – see SRFT Process

Consent Refused

- Social Worker to discuss with Legal Team for further actions or arrange for EPO.
- Police to consider PPO under Section 46

Follow SRFT S 47 process (See reverse)

Medical arranged

Medical deferred to next working day

- Social Worker to arrange of place of safety
- Social Worker to book CP medical next working day-see SRFT process
- Police photographs to be arranged on the day of referral
- Police to arrange for Photographs to be brought to the CP medical for review by Paediatric Consultant.

Post CP medical

Need for inpatient admission or further investigations

YES

Admission arranged by Paediatrician at RBH / RMCH after discussion with Paediatric Consultant or Named Doctor and transfer of care information provided to social worker attending

Investigation results and opinion shared with Children's Services by Consultant taking safeguarding responsibility for the child

NO

- Interim report shared with social worker + / - police if in attendance.
- Formal report within 5 working days
- Photographs part of child records can be requested via SRFT legal team
- Investigation reports incorporated in formal report

Multiagency review strategy discussion / meeting and plan (minimum Police / Health / Social Care)------ Case closure / referral to Early Intervention and Prevention / Request for Case Conference / Legal Advice to be obtained / Prosecution.