

CYPPC Child Protection Directory

Roles & Responsibilities

Early Intervention Meeting

The Early Intervention Meeting was implemented in August 2006. Where a Police Officer has a concern about the safety or welfare of a child or young person they submit a Child Concern Report which is initially screened by the Family Protection Unit Detective Sergeant. Those referrals deemed to possibly require intervention, and which are not already active cases to social work, are discussed at the meetings. The group, made up of representatives from Police, Health, Education, Social Work and Housing, meets weekly, to share information and identify need. A multi-agency decision is made for each child on whether there is a need for further action. Where a specific response is required, the group decides which agency should provide this response and thereby take Lead Agency responsibility for this child/young person. When it is deemed necessary, referrals are submitted to SCRA.