

ONE MINUTE GUIDE – RISK IN THE COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Overview of Risk in the Community (RIC) Meetings

- Chaired by Risk in the Community Practitioners.
- Explores the vulnerabilities and threats a child is experiencing linked to exploitation.
- Highlights the strengths that can be used to increase resilience.
- Creates plans to tackle the threats to the child and community and reduce their vulnerabilities to exploitation, ensuring the child and their family is involved in the discussion and plans.
- Decides if the child has reached high risk threshold for referral to MACE 1.
- They are convened within 15 working days of a case discussion with the RIC Practitioner.

ATTENDEES

The child and their parent/carer is fully involved in the meeting.

Key safeguarding partners with an operational role linked with the child and their family. This should include those with a core community safety function in the district where the child lives. The views of the child and their family are gained by the RIC Practitioner prior to the meeting via a RIC Chat. They support the child and their family to express their views in the meeting

WHO TO LINK WITH

The RIC Practitioners contact details are:

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BEFORE AND AFTER THE MEETING

- Attendees are expected to collate information from their organisation to share with the RIC Meeting about the child's vulnerabilities and threats linked to exploitation, strengths that can be utilised and ideas for actions to increase their safety.
- Attendees should ensure discussions, and any other key information as agreed by the Chair, are disseminated within their organisation following the meeting.
- Attendees must ensure they are able to attend the meeting, if not then they are responsible for finding a colleague to attend on their behalf and ensure they are provided with information to share in the meeting.
- The allocated worker should share the RIC Record with the child, parents and partners up to two days prior to the RIC meeting. They should also share the RIC plan with children and parents following the meeting, ask and record their comments.

YOUR ROLE IN THE MEETING

Attendees are expected to contribute to the discussion in the RIC Meeting by:

- Ensuring any disruptions, safeguarding responses or support is added to the plan where required.
- Being collectively responsible for the delivery and success of the RIC plan.
- Agree measures of success tailored to the young person.
- Provide a view on the risk level to the child and if they should be referred into the MACE 1 process.

WHERE TO FIND OTHER KEY INFORMATION

The [ESCB Risk in the Community webpages](#) have key information for partners and includes a page for further information about the RIC Pathway and processes.