

# RISK IN THE COMMUNITY MEETINGS - ONE MINUTE GUIDE

## OVERVIEW OF RISK IN THE COMMUNITY (RIC) MEETINGS

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

## ATTENDEES

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

This is also attended by the allocated worker, representative from Essex Police, Education/Education Access, Youth Justice/Probation, Community Safety Partnership representatives, any other key safeguarding professionals working with the young person and family. The views of the young person and their family are gained by the RIC Senior Practitioner prior to the meeting via a RIC Chat. They support the young person and their family to express their views in the meeting

## BEFORE AND AFTER THE MEETINGS

- Attendees are expected to collate information from their organisation to share with the RIC Meeting about the young person'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 young person, parents and partners up to two days prior to the RIC meeting. They should also share the RIC plan with young person and parents following the meeting, ask and record their comments on the social care database.

## 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 young person and if they should be referred into the MACE 1 process.

## WHO TO LINK WITH

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## 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.

