Child Safeguarding Practice Review (CSPR) Referral & Rapid Review Process

Significant incident

Police Informed

Relevant people safeguarded

Relevant partner agency to hold discussions internally with safeguarding leads on whether the Working Together 2026 criteria for a CSPR has been met. If the criteria is met, and there is potential new learning to be identified and if the case should be referred to the ESCB for consideration

CSPR Referral form submitted to ESCB and quality assured by the CSPR Project Officer. The referral is then sent to the ESCB Business Manager for agreement to proceed to triage.

Referral is sent to statutory partners. A Triage meeting is arranged between the 3 statutory partners for them to review the referral and to agree whether to proceed to a Rapid Review (RR) or not. At this meeting it is also determined if a Serious Incident Notification is to be made based on the criteria. The referrer will be informed of the decision.

Once it is agreed to progress to a Rapid Review, the referral is sent to partner agencies to provide information on their involvement in the case.

Collated information from the Rapid Review, is shared and discussed by CSPR Sub-committee members at the monthly Rapid Review Meeting. The CSPR sub-committee make a recommendation to the statutory partners as to whether the case meets the criteria for a CSPR.

Following the meeting, the recommendation of the CSPR Sub-committee is ratified by the statutory partners.

National Panel and referrer are informed of statutory partner decision and rationale for the decision.

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