

Multi Agency Allocation Group Case Study

MAAG District: Epping Forest

<p>Age of child/ young person Presenting Issues from the CAF,</p>	<p>4 siblings – aged 8,4,3 and 1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Case referred to MAAG following Initial Assessment by Children's Social Care (CSC) • Mother previously had children taking into care from CSC and adopted • Concerns regarding neglect – children looking unclean, home disorganised, children not arriving at school late. • Mother not providing adequate guidance and boundaries for the children. • Family in private rented accommodation with notice to quit • Mother with minor mental health difficulties.
<p>Decision at MAAG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resource allocated • Lead Professional 	<p>Resource allocated at MAAG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spot purchased family support to help with issues outlined above (hygiene of house, routine and boundaries, safety, engaging with external agencies) • Mother already accessing specialist Health Visitor regarding mental health support • Outreach worker from children's centre allocated to help mother access resources at children's centre, including parenting course • Specific health issues for children picked up by Health Visitor <p>Lead Professional: At MAAG it was agreed that the Health Visitor who had an established relationship with the family would take the lead role from the social worker at the first TAC.</p>
<p>Desired Outcome:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prevent escalation within CSC • Improve routines and boundaries in the home • Mother to engage with relevant services • Attendance at education
<p>Intervention/ activity:</p>	<p>As above A further referral was made to CSC as the youngest child was</p>

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	<p>observed with marking/bruise. This resulted in brief input from the previous social worker, as the making was caused by the child sucking her arm (self harming) and was confirmed by health as such.</p> <p>Family support agency gave support around mother moving to a new property.</p>
Impact on the child and family/school improvement outcome	<p>Case was closed in December (open 5 months)</p> <p>Children are late less often</p> <p>Behaviour in school has improved</p> <p>Mother has engaged with children's centre and has attended a parenting group</p> <p>Mother continues to engage with counsellor (specialist Health Visitor)</p> <p>Family moved</p> <p>New house judged safe for children</p> <p>Strategy in place for youngest child's sucking behaviour</p>
Child/family feedback:	<p>Review notes that mother is pleased with the progress made</p>
Spot Purchase service and Cost : (If applicable)	<p>Families Together</p>