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Graded Care Profile 2

Audience

- **Professionals and practitioners across all agencies.**
- **Senior managers across all agencies**

From 15th of October 2023

In Moray, we aim to reduce the number of neglected children within the local authority. The introduction of the Graded Care Profile 2 (GCP2) assessment tool is hoped to further this aim by:

- Enhancing staff recognition of potential signs of neglect
- Bringing more consistency in the understanding of neglect across partner agencies
- Facilitating evidence-based and timely decision-making as well as appropriate planning supported by the tool's ability to objectively track levels of neglect over time
- Facilitating greater engagement with families by the shared understanding of neglect
- Increasing the potential for parental change supported by the clear definition of neglect

GCP2 is expected to be used by trained staff where neglect is known/suspected. Where immediate referral or immediate action is required, practitioners may not have had the opportunity to undertake the GCP2 and not having a completed GCP2 should not preclude a referral being made or accepted.

The full 'the rules of engagement' with GPC2 as well as actioning GCP2 results are clearly outlined in the procedure attached to this email and available on the respective partner agencies' intranets.

What does this mean for staff?

All Practitioners will be invited to attend a briefing or training session in due course. Keep your eyes peeled for updates! Following your training, you will be able to use the GCP2 tool as needed.

Senior Social Workers/Management/Child Protection Leads are asked to provide guidance and support to staff using the GCP2 tool and to attend any briefing or training sessions as required.

Agency specific queries can be directed to your Child Protection representative:

Education: Lynne Riddoch & Hazel Sly   **Social Work:** Donna Borek & Lizette Van Zyl

Police: Graeme Forbes   **Health:** Bethan Murdoch

Or email **mcpc@moray.gov.uk** with your questions and feedback.

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