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MAISEY

Multi-Agency Identification and Support in the Early Years



Information for parents and practitioners

What are the meetings for?

There are many services available to children from birth to five years with Special Educational Needs in Somerset.

The role of MAISEY meetings is to make sure that all the different agencies are brought together to look at a child's needs and to make a joint plan about which services need to be involved.

It is expected that parents' thoughts and concerns about their child's individual and developing needs will be discussed with them in a separate meeting.



How is a child referred to MAISEY and who will be at the meeting?

The Multi-Agency Identification and Support Team will have representatives from many services and may include:

- Health Visitor
- Speech and Language Therapist
- Occupational Therapist
- Physiotherapist
- Educational Psychologist
- Area SENCO
- Senior Portage Home Visitor
- Advisory Teacher from the Sensory, Physical and Medical Support Team
- Children with Disabilities Team Representative
- Paediatrician
- Early Help Officer
- Children's Community Health Nurse

The meeting will generally be chaired by a member of education services.

What will be discussed?

The topics discussed will include:

- Identifying children who may need extra help; planning for support to be provided; reviewing support the following term.
- Information sharing to ensure we are all aware of the different services a child requires.
- Identification of Link Professional for the School Entry Plan and monitoring children's transition into preschool and school settings.
- Discussing whether a child would benefit from an Education, Health and Care plan.

Many different children are discussed and so it is not possible for parents or practitioners from individual settings to be present. We will only discuss a child with parental consent. MAISEY meeting dates can be found on the Somerset Choices website: www.somersetchoices.org.uk