

Responding to a Child/Young Person's Wellbeing Needs Practitioner Prompts: All Services/Organisations

*****These GIRFEC prompts should be used by adult and community-based services/orgs providing support to any adult with a connection to a child/young person, and by practitioners working directly with children, young people or families. *****

- **If this is a potential Child Protection concern, have I taken immediate action and followed Aberdeenshire Child Protection Procedures?**
- If I am concerned for a child or young person's wellbeing, have I recorded my own observations and identified the affected **Wellbeing Indicators?**

Safe, Healthy, Active, Nurtured, Achieving, Respected, Responsible, Included

- Have I asked myself the **5 GIRFEC Questions?**
 - **What is getting in the way of this child's or young person's wellbeing?**
 - **Do I have all the information I need to help this child or young person?**
 - **What can I do now to help this child or young person?**
 - **What can my service/organisation do to help this child or young person?**
 - **What additional help, if any may be needed from others?**
- Have I as far as possible **taken steps to take into account the views** of the child/young person, parent/carer/significant other and recorded these?
- Have I **completed an assessment** (as appropriate to my service/org) and **put support in place** where this could help to address or reduce this child/young person's wellbeing needs? Have I used the GIRFEC [My World Triangle](#) and [Resilience Matrix](#) to inform my assessment?
- Have I **considered if it would be helpful to share information with the child/young person's [Named Person](#), and/or another relevant Service?** Have I considered Data Protection and statutory duties and any relevant issues of confidentiality/consent? ([Information-Sharing Guidance & Flowchart](#))
- Have I **recorded all my decisions?** If I am not sharing information with the child's Named Person/other service, have I discussed with the child/young person/family how we will **review the situation to monitor progress in relation to the identified wellbeing needs?**



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