

POLICE

Aim: To be aware of significant adults living with or having a significant impact on the lives of children.

Control Room / PCC / Station Enquiry / Custody Centre Staff

- Gather full information at every opportunity.
- Seek information to establish identity of all adults involved.
- [Unidentified Adults](#): Any unknown adults who are capable of protecting the child? Or who pose a risk to the child?
- Who else is living in the home? Who else regularly visits the home?
- [Voice of the Child](#): How is the child? Use AWARE (Appearance, Words, Activity, Relationships, Environment). How do they feel about the adult/s?
- Check and update all records and link all persons and addresses.



R & P / P & N / Investigations / Roads Policing / All Specialist Teams

- Gather full information at every opportunity.
- When visiting child/family, seek further information, including from extended family.
- [Unidentified Adults](#): Any unknown adults who are capable of protecting the child? Or who pose a risk to the child?
 - a. Who else is living in the home? Who else regularly visits the home?
 - When did they arrive? Where did they come from? Why are they here? What connections to the family? Do you know them well, their background? What do they do with the family?
 - b. Who else has contact with the child/family?
 - What is their relationship? What contact? When, where, why?
- [Voice of the Child](#): How is the child? Use AWARE (Appearance, Words, Activity, Relationships, Environment). How do they feel about the adult/s?
- Assess against: [HSCP & IOWSCP Thresholds Chart](#) and [HSCP & IOWSCP Recognising Neglect in Children](#).
- [Observations](#) whilst visiting: Health and well-being, home conditions, relationships?
- Check and update all records and link all persons and addresses – complete PPN.



MASH

- Check information on Referrals/PPNs is updated and accurate on all records.
- Link all persons and addresses with correct designation (Residence, Address sometimes used, etc).
- Use wildcard searches, and if there are duplicate records, merge to one accurate record.

Police should be vigilant about all members of the household, children and adults.

Where new information comes to light the adult/s in the household would be asked for clarification as to the identity of 'new' household members or of key adults who are taking an active role in a child's life

Depending on the incident involving the child detailed information would be requested about any adult/new adult so that formal checks could be made on databases that Police have access to.