



Key Indicators – Severe Deprivation Neglect

	UNIVERSAL/EARLY INTERVENTION	EARLY HELP	TARGETED EARLY HELP	CHILDREN'S SOCIAL CARE
Characteristics of parents / carers	 Contact with GP for depression History of chronic mental health Long term unemployed Low cognitive functioning Poor physical presentation Socially isolated 	 Contact with specialist agency for depression, mental health – in treatment Postnatal depression Poor attachment with children 	 Carers with serious issues of depression, learning disabilities, substance misuse Homeless Not in treatment 	Suicidal thoughtsChronic substance misuse
Characteristics of children	 Arrive late at school Poor presentation Hungry Tired Miss initial health checks Lack confidence Poor attachment with parents Anxiety and low self esteem Minor accidents at home Poor dental hygiene Poor school attendance Not at risk of Child Exploitation 	 Inhibited, withdrawn, passive, rarely smile Attachment type behaviour and self-soothing Relationships shallow, lack reciprocity Disinhibited: attention/ seeking, clingy, very friendly Not accessing early years High absence from school Low risk of Child Exploitation (CERAF) 	 Infants- poor attachment behaviours of smiling, crying, eye contact Children-impulsive, hyperactive, attention deficit, cognitive impairment and developmental delay, eating problems, poor relationships School exclusion Medium risk of Child Exploitation (CERAE) 	 Self-harm Harming others Mental ill health Sexualised behaviour Failure to thrive Recurrent illnesses/ infections Going missing from home Out of education High risk of Child Exploitation (CERAF) Impairment of development
What professionals notice	ClutterDisorganised homeHoarding	 Dirty home and children Poor physical and mental health 	 Material and emotional poverty 	Unsafe environment and or sleeping environment





 Not enough furniture Lots of animals Not attending appointments Poor dental hygiene 	 Poor hygiene Regularly attending A&E 	 Recurrent head lice untreated Homes and children dirty and smelly Severe dental disease 	 Urine-soaked mattresses, animal faeces, filthy plates, Children left in cot or serial care giving Child essentially alone- severe neglect, absence of selective attachment. Lack of basic materials and furnishings which impact on the child's development. Home conditions poor and unacceptable level of hygiene which impact on the child's development. Unable obtain access to the home Equipment needed to care for the child safely is not present. Medication not collected consistently
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