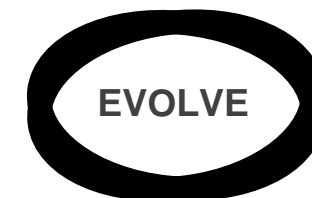


# Form EVOLVE02: Child Sexual Exploitation Screening Tool

## Rotherham Child Sexual Exploitation Multi-Agency Team



The purpose of the tool is to enable professionals to assess a child's level of risk of child sexual exploitation (CSE) in a quick and consistent manner. The screening tool can be applied to all children (male and female) under the age of 18 years and is to be used by anyone who has a concern that a child may be being sexually exploited.

### Important points to remember when considering CSE:

- Both girls and boys can be victims of child sexual exploitation and are equally vulnerable.
- The coercer(s) and perpetrator(s) are usually an adult(s), but children and young people can also act in a sexually abusive way towards other young people or exert power e.g. group/gang members of either gender.
- Children and young people may exchange or sell sex as a result of constrained choices such as poverty, isolation and historic abuse.
- Although it is rare, parents/carers may be involved in the sexual exploitation of their children.
- Groups of children and multiple perpetrators may be involved (organised abuse).
- No child under 13 years should be assessed as Low Risk if behaviours indicate a risk of CSE.
- Children with additional needs require special consideration up to the age of 21 years.
- No child with a learning disability should be assessed as Low Risk if behaviours indicate involvement in or risk of CSE.
- Be aware: disclosure of information by the child may take time and evident risks may only emerge during ongoing assessment, support and interventions with the child and/or family.

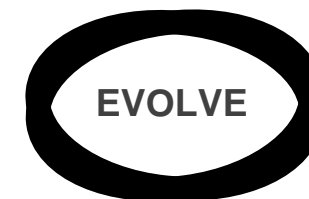
### Guidance on the use of the screening tool

1. Completion of the Screening Tool by the professional identifying the concerns should involve liaison with other agencies to ensure that there is multiagency Information sharing and support.
2. The screening tool is intended to assist the exercise of professional judgment by assisting professionals to consider the risk of harm to a child. Professionals are encouraged to go beyond the child's presenting behaviour e.g. missing episodes and to explore what else might be going on for this child/young person.
3. If a child presents with one indicator, action is required. Early intervention improves the chances of positive outcomes. One indicator is unlikely to require Children's Social Work Services or specialist services intervention unless it is a Significant Risk category.
4. Assessing or screening for child sexual exploitation should not be seen as a one off event. Young people can move very quickly between risk categories, therefore regular assessment should be undertaken using the Screening Tool. Any escalation of risk should be dealt with in accordance with RSCB procedures.
5. Using the CSE Multi-Agency Threshold Descriptors alongside the Screening tool will determine which the level of intervention required dependant on the assessed level of risk. If in doubt please contact the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) Tel: 01709 336080 or by e-mail to [MASHreferral@rotherham.gcsx.gov.uk](mailto:MASHreferral@rotherham.gcsx.gov.uk).
6. Disruption and prosecution of perpetrator/s is also of significant importance therefore, any information which comes to light about the victim/s or Perpetrator/s (however insignificant this may seem) should be passed on to the Police.

**IMMEDIATE SAFEGUARDING CONCERNS:** If you are concerned that a child or young person is at immediate risk of harm then you should dial '999' and tell the Police. If you have any information which might help protect a child you should dial '101'.

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Details of Person completing the Screening tool			
Name		Telephone No'	
Organisation/role		e-mail address	

Personal Details of Child / Young Person			
Family Name		Address	
First Name (s)			
Middle name (s)			
Gender			
Date of Birth (dd/mm/yy)	Click here to enter a date.	Post code	
CCM No (CYPS only)		School / Education setting	
Social care case level	Choose an item.	Assessment Date (dd/mm/yy)	Click here to enter a date.
Ethnicity	Choose an item.	Age at time of Assessment	

Perpetrators Details							
Family Name	First Name (s)	Middle Name (s)	Alternative Name	Date of Birth	Gender	Ethnicity	Age
				Click here to enter a date.		Choose an item.	
Family Name	First Name (s)	Middle Name (s)	Alternative Name	Date of Birth	Gender	Ethnicity	Age
						Choose an item.	

## Risk Assessment

### Significant risk (select all appropriate options)

Previous victim of CSE	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unexplained gifts or additional mobile phone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Visiting hotels with adults	<input type="checkbox"/>	Visiting nightclubs with adults	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recruiting others into exploitative situations	<input type="checkbox"/>	Meeting known or unknown adults inappropriately	<input type="checkbox"/>	Being groomed to meet via the internet	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transported from town to town for sexual activity with adults	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clothes / phones / money / jewellery / drugs / cigarettes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Over sexualised appearance	<input type="checkbox"/>	Associating with known CSE perpetrators or victims	<input type="checkbox"/>	Presence at hotspot CSE areas such as taxi ranks, bus stations, off licences and take away	<input type="checkbox"/>
Information of direct involvement in CSE from reliable sources	<input type="checkbox"/>	Engaging in sexual activity with adults or with peers at young age	<input type="checkbox"/>	Presence of frequenting red light areas	<input type="checkbox"/>		

**Comments:**

### Strong Indicators of CSE (select all appropriate options)

Considerable change in school performance / attendance / behaviour	<input type="checkbox"/>	Multiple callers to address	<input type="checkbox"/>	Receiving calls/text from unknown person / additional unexplained mobile phone or other mobile device	<input type="checkbox"/>	Self-harming and/or suicide tendencies / Substance misuse	<input type="checkbox"/>
Association with other victims of CSE	<input type="checkbox"/>	Multiple boyfriends/girlfriends	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sexualised risk taking (including internet)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Involvement in crime or anti social behaviour	<input type="checkbox"/>
STI or Emergency Hormonal Contraception	<input type="checkbox"/>	Forming relationships via internet	<input type="checkbox"/>	Missing or Absent from home episodes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Entering or leaving unknown vehicles	<input type="checkbox"/>
Found in areas with no known connection	<input type="checkbox"/>	Over sexualised behaviour for age	<input type="checkbox"/>	Involvement in exploitative relationships	<input type="checkbox"/>	Involved in gang type activity	<input type="checkbox"/>
Association with risk adults	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pregnancy and/or termination	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unexplained relationships with adults	<input type="checkbox"/>	Evidence of self-harming	<input type="checkbox"/>
Older boyfriend/girlfriend	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unexplained physical injuries	<input type="checkbox"/>	Exclusion from school due to behaviour – may not have been excluded - reduced timetable/alternative provision	<input type="checkbox"/>	Change in physical appearance - weight loss/ weight gain / external signs such as extreme fatigue or sudden increase in make-up, tattoos, piercings etc	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Comments:**

### Early Indicators of CSE (select all appropriate options)

Absent/truanting from school	<input type="checkbox"/>	Detached from age related activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lack of interest in education	<input type="checkbox"/>	Physically aggressive to other family members	<input type="checkbox"/>
Frequent poor behaviour	<input type="checkbox"/>	Secretive relationships	<input type="checkbox"/>	Returning home late	<input type="checkbox"/>	Secretive behaviour	<input type="checkbox"/>
Becoming estranged from family	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mood swings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hostility towards other family members	<input type="checkbox"/>	Secretive about internet use	<input type="checkbox"/>
Change in appearance – including sudden increase in make-up or tattoos or piercings etc	<input type="checkbox"/>	Change in sporting or leisure activities/ interests (e.g. no longer interested in football / dancing when they used to be)	<input type="checkbox"/>				

**Comments:**

### Vulnerability Factors (select all appropriate options)

Live in a chaotic or dysfunctional family	<input type="checkbox"/>	Low self-esteem or confidence	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parents with mental health problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	Live in residential or foster care or unstable adoptive placement	<input type="checkbox"/>
Drugs or alcohol abuse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mental health problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sexually active	<input type="checkbox"/>	Subject of bullying	<input type="checkbox"/>
History of sexual abuse within the family	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social or learning difficulties	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recent bereavement or loss	<input type="checkbox"/>	Homeless	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parents with drugs or alcohol abuse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Migrant, refugee or asylum seeker	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unsure of their sexual orientation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Previous victim of CSE	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lack of protective factors within family unit	<input type="checkbox"/>	History of domestic abuse within the family	<input type="checkbox"/>				

**Comments:**

Additional Comments			
Name(s) and Signature(s) of Professional(s) making this assessment			
Name		Name	
Role		Role	
Agency		Agency	
Signature		Signature	

Multi Agency Management Decision			
Name(s) and Signature(s) of Multi Agency Management making this Decision			
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