

Domain 3 – Family and environmental factors

Family History and Functioning

No identified additional needs Universal services	Additional needs	Multiple needs	Children in need and those at risk of harm
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Good relationships within family, including when parents are separated ▪ Few significant changes in composition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Parents have some conflicts or difficulties that can involve the child/young person ▪ Child/young person has experienced loss of significant adult e.g. through bereavement or separation ▪ May be needed to look after younger siblings ▪ Parent has physical/mental health difficulties 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Incidents of domestic violence between parents ▪ Acrimonious divorce/separation ▪ Limited extended family support 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Significant parental discord and persistent domestic violence ▪ Family characterised by conflict and serious, chronic relationship difficulties ▪ Poor/abusive sibling relationships ▪ History of rejection ▪ Drugs paraphernalia accessible to child ▪ Problematic substance misuse in home whilst caring for child

Wider Family

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sense of larger familial network and good friendships outside of the family unit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Some support from friends and family 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Family has poor relationship with extended family or little communication ▪ Family is socially isolated 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No effective support from extended family ▪ Destructive/unhelpful involvement from extended family – critical rather than supportive

Housing

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Accommodation has basic amenities and appropriate facilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Adequate/poor housing ▪ Some problems over basic facilities e.g. family in high-rise 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Poor state of repair temporary or overcrowded ▪ Rent arrears put family at risk of eviction ▪ Prosecution/eviction proceedings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Homeless – or imminent ▪ House dangerous or seriously threatening health ▪ Physical accommodation places child/young person in danger ▪ Family seeking asylum or refugees ▪ Essential supplies disconnected

Employment

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Parent able to manage the working or unemployment arrangements and do not perceive them as unduly stressful 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Periods of unemployment of the wage-earning parent ▪ Stress from 'overworking' beginning to make an impact ▪ Parents have limited formal education 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Stress from unemployment or 'overworking' have impact on other aspects of family life e.g. marital relationships ▪ Parents find it difficult to obtain employment due to poor basic skills 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Chronic unemployment that has severely affected parents' own identities ▪ Family unable to gain employment due to significant lack of basic skills or long-term difficulties e.g. substance misuse ▪ No expectation that young person will work

Income

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reasonable income over time, with recourses used appropriately to meet individual needs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Low income 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Low income plus adverse additional factors e.g. up to borrowing limit of Social Care Fund 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extreme financial difficulties impacting on ability to have basic needs met

Family's Social Integration

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family feels integrated into the community Good social friendship networks exist 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited contact with community Family may be new to the area Some conflict within the community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Generally isolated Parents socially excluded Acrimonious relationships within the community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family chronically socially excluded High levels of conflict, volatility within neighbourhood Community are hostile to family

Community Resources

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Community is generally supportive of families with child/young persons and young people ▪ Good universal services in neighbourhood 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Adequate universal resources but family may have access issues ▪ Community characterised by negativity towards child/young persons or young people ▪ Poor tolerance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Poor access to quality universal resources and targeted services ▪ No community support/tolerance for families 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Poor access to services longstanding – community has low expectations ▪ Extreme rurality/isolation ▪ Community hostile and critical-may want family moved away ▪ Suspicious or allegations about abuse perpetrated by any adult engaged in the provision of services to children

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