

Stoke-on-Trent

Role of the Early Help and Young Carer Champion

- Be the point of contact within an organisation/setting for Early Help and Young Carers
- Have a clear understanding of the Early Help/ Signs of Wellbeing assessment and process
- Ensuring that all registrations, changes of lead workers and closing of Early Helps are done in a timely manner. Also ensuring that copies of Signs of Wellbeing assessments, plans and reviews are submitted via the secure portal
- Support and develop confidence in practitioners within an organisation/setting to initiate Early Helps
- Support practitioners to ensure an effective handover when there is a change of lead worker or closure of the Early Help assessment this may include supporting the child/family through key transition points including accessing specialist/statutory services
- Support practitioners to develop timely exit strategies with families so a dependency from services is not created or families are not closed too early
- Have a clear understanding of the Young carers referral process
- Have a clear understanding of the possible indicators of a young carer to help to ensure that hidden young carers are identified within your setting
- Have a clear understanding of the barriers to learning for young carers within your setting
- Advise practitioners when they come across barriers/resistance or non-engagement from families /adults
- Promptly cascade to practitioners/colleagues up-to date information and any new developments about Early Help or Young Carers
- Feedback any issues regarding Early Help to your line manager and the Early Help and Young Carers Coordinator
- Engage in the quality assurance process for Early help and Young Carers
- Promote Early Help and Young Carers processes and to share good practice with other agencies

- Understand the roles of Family Support, Young Carers Caseworkers, Advice and Access Team, SAFE and the Youth Team within the Early Intervention Service
- Attend and have an active role in the Early Help and Young Carers champion meetings
- Having an awareness of The Troubled Families Agenda (Family Matters programme) including using the Early Help process as an holistic whole family approach and how to identify a family and evidence outcomes through the early help
- To engage with your allocated Better Together Social worker and access all supervisions and training offered