

Pre-placement

Pre Team for Child meeting':

- A detailed nature-trauma timeline is supplied
- The foster carer's experience of the child is shared
- Any written information or prior assessments are provided
- Child's voice is heard and their account gathered

Team for Child meeting takes place

After the Team for Child meeting

- A psychological formulation is undertaken about the child by the clinical psychologist
- A report is prepared outlining the key issues and approaches most helpful in undertaking the parenting task
- A transition plan is prepared, outlining parenting tasks and support needed
- Every child will have a transition worker dedicated to their adoption plan

Structure and purpose of a Team for Child meeting:

- Facilitated by clinical psychologist, meeting takes place prior to matching
- Childcare social workers will decide who attends, including professionals, foster carers and adopters
- Lasting around three hours, the meeting will focus on the child's history, behaviours and attachments
- It will inform recommendations on the parenting task
- It will provide adopters with a clear understanding of the child from those who know them best

Introductions

Post-placement

Psychology Consultation Meeting.1

Psychology Consultation Meeting.2

Psychology Consultation Meeting.3

Post-placement meeting purpose:

- All families provided with specialist post-placement support
- Three post-placement psychology consultation meetings will take place in the first year
- These will be led by a clinical psychologist and attended by the adopter child care and adoption social worker
- They will enable the sharing of information on parenting experience and revisit information already received
- Any difficulties will be anticipated, and support for adopters normalised

Transitions *Transitions worker to run play-based therapeutic sessions that stay alongside the child's experience.*

3-4 Sessions

- with Foster Carer & Child (pre-placement)

1-2 Sessions

(during Introductions)

3-4 Sessions

(post-placement)