



EAST AYRSHIRE CHILD PROTECTION COMMITTEE

PRACTITIONER BRIEFING NOTE

NO 9

TOPIC: GETTING OUR PRIORITIES RIGHT – REVISED PRACTITIONER GUIDANCE (GOPR2)

BRIEFING: This revised guidance (link below) takes account of recent changes in legislation, national guidance and has been informed by local practice and learning. It aims to support frontline practitioners and managers; thus providing better outcomes for children, young people and families across East Ayrshire. (Note: Previous versions of guidance should be deleted)

It is intended to assist those working with families affected by problematic parental drug and/or alcohol use, with each section containing key messages from the national guidance. It reiterates the importance, that as soon as a concern about a child is identified, that practitioners respond in a confident and competent manner, referencing procedures and guidance, involving the relevant people and providing a proportionate response, while working in partnership with children and their families.

The guidance also reminds service providers that they should always place the child/children at the centre of professional processes and decision making. Designed to be used alongside the West of Scotland Child Protection Procedures (<http://www.online-procedures.co.uk/westofscotland>), and any specific Child Protection Procedures within your agency/organisation, it will provide additional support to staff dealing with highly complex issues.

Link: <https://www.east-ayrshire.gov.uk/Resources/PDF/C/CPADP-A-Practitioner's-Guide-to-Getting-Our-Priorities-Right-GOPR.pdf>

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