

Consent statement for information storage and information sharing

We have collected the information in this assessment form so that we can understand what help you and/or your family may need. If we cannot meet all of your needs we may need to share all or part of this information with the other organisations specified below, so that they can help us to provide the services you need. If we need to share information with any other organisation(s) later to offer you more help we will ask you about this before we do it.

We will treat your information as confidential and we will not share it with any other organisation unless we are required by law to share it or unless you will come to some harm if we do not share it. In any case we will only ever share the minimum information we need to share.

I understand the information that is recorded on this form and that it will be stored and used for the purpose of providing services to:

- Me and family
- This infant, child or young person for whom I have parental responsibility
- This infant, child or young person for whom I am a carer

I have had the reasons for information sharing explained to me and I understand those reasons.

'By completing this section and ticking the 'yes' button you as a practitioner confirm that you have received signed, written consent on the original copy of the early help assessment and that the family, child or young person understand and agree that you will share the information with other agencies should this be required' Yes

I agree to the sharing of information, as agreed, between the services listed below Yes No

Parent or carer

Signed Name Date

Child or young person

Signed Name Date

Practitioner's signature

Signed Name Date

Exceptional circumstances: concerns about significant harm to a child or young person

If at any time during the course of this assessment you are concerned that a child or young person has suffered or is likely to suffer significant harm you must contact Blackpool Council Children's Social Care Duty and Assessment Team on (01253) 477299 and follow Blackpool Safeguarding Children Board (BSCB) procedures which can be found at www.blackpoolsafeguarding.org.uk. The statutory guidance 'Working Together to Safeguard Children' (HM Government, 2015) sets out the responsibilities of all agencies to safeguard children.

If a decision is made to make a referral to Blackpool Children's Social Care then you should inform the parent, carer and where appropriate, the young person before making such a referral unless to do so would place the child at increased risk of imminent significant harm.