

### **Consent**

Your consent to share information must be:

- Informed
- Explicit
- Recorded
- Reviewed when circumstances change

### **Who can support me and my child in this process?**

You have the right to ask anyone you identify to support you. You can choose an advocate, someone working with your child or maybe even a friend. It is important you feel as involved as possible in being part of your Child's Plan.

Your child can also ask the Children's Rights Worker to do this. This person is independent and will not take part in the decision making process.

### **What if I am not happy with my Child's Plan or the process of multi agency working?**

The Child's Plan will work best when it is agreed. Sometimes, you may not agree with a particular part of the Plan but it might be in your child's best interests.

If you are not happy with the actions of a member of the Team around the Child, you should discuss this with the Lead Professional.

They can provide a Complaints leaflet for you.

### **Further Information:**

[www.moray.gov.uk/girfec](http://www.moray.gov.uk/girfec)

getting  
it right  
for every child  
in Moray

### **Local Integrated Assessment and Planning**

### **Parents'/Carers' Booklet**

*Getting it right for every child* is a Scottish Government programme to make sure children and young people get the right help at the right time from services working together to support them, i.e. The Moray Council, NHS Grampian, Grampian Police and voluntary or private sector agencies.

**MAKING SURE YOUR CHILD GETS THE RIGHT HELP, FROM THE RIGHT PEOPLE, AT THE RIGHT TIME**

**In Moray**, all agencies use Local Integrated Assessment and Planning procedures (LIAP) where there are two or more services working together to support your child.

**LIAP is:**

- In line with *Getting it right for every child*
- A framework agreed by all services in Moray
- A set of procedures
- Supported by a set of standards
- Monitored locally
- About effective Information Sharing
- About putting your child's needs at the centre

**What does it mean for me and my child?**

- Every child who requires support will have a **Child's Plan**.
- This **Plan** is the same form for every service involved.
- You will only have to give core details once and should not have to repeat the same information for different services.
- Meetings are **Solution Oriented** focussing on achievements
- When two or more services work together, a **Lead Professional** is appointed to co-ordinate a Team around your Child (which includes you and your child)

**What does the Lead Professional do?**

The **Lead Professional** is:

- Agreed by everyone involved, including you and your child
- A single point of contact for you, your child and all services
- Co-ordinator of a multi agency **Child's Plan**
- Responsible for ensuring changes to the Plan are agreed
- There to ensure you and your child are involved throughout and your views and your child's views are recorded
- There to ensure that services are not duplicated

**Sharing Information:**

Professionals have a duty to share information legally. They have to explain this to you and your child, and ask for your and your child's consent. This is recorded on a **consent form**.

If you **do not agree** that information about your child can be shared, this must be taken into account.

Professionals may still decide to share information because:

- They believe it is in your child's best interests
- Your child may be at risk if they do not

If this is the case, they will discuss this with you anyway and record their decision.