**This tool should be used to screen young people between 10 years and 17 years where you believe there is a possible risk of criminal exploitation. The tool will help you focus on the specific indicators of criminal exploitation and determine whether you should be completing a full Child Exploitation Assessment.**

***Definition of Child Criminal Exploitation***

*Child Criminal Exploitation occurs where an individual or group takes advantage of an imbalance of power to coerce, control, manipulate or deceive a child or young person under the age of 18 into any criminal or sexual activity. This will be carried out in exchange for something the victim needs or wants, and /or for the financial or other advantage of the perpetrator or facilitator, an/ or through violence or threat of violence.*

*The victim may have been criminally exploited even if the activity appears consensual. Child Criminal Exploitation does not always involve physical contact; it can also occur through the use of technology.*

*Criminal exploitation of children is broader than county lines and includes for instance children forced to work on cannabis farms or to commit theft.*

**All children can be exploited but the following are additional vulnerability factors:**

* Being in care (particularly those in residential care and those with interrupted care histories)
* Having prior experience of neglect, physical and/or sexual abuse
* Lack of a safe/stable home environment, now or in the past (domestic violence or parental substance misuse, mental health issues or criminality, for example)
* Having mental health or substance misuse issues;
* Having a physical or learning disability
* Being excluded from mainstream education, attending a Pupil Referral Unit.
* Social isolation or social difficulties
* Economic vulnerability
* Homelessness or insecure accommodation status
* Poor / limited ability to identify exploitative behaviours

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| **Child’s Name:** | Click or tap here to enter text. | **DOB:** | Click or tap to enter a date. |
| **Address:** | Click or tap here to enter text. | **Phone No:** | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Mosaic Number:** | Click or tap here to enter text. |  |  |
| **GP Surgery:** | Click or tap here to enter text. | **School:** | Click or tap here to enter text. |

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| **Risk Factors** | Yes | No | | N/K |
| Frequent missing episodes |  |  |  | |
| Found in locations out of area particularly where there is no known reason for visiting. |  |  |  | |
| Parents/Cares not consistently reporting missing episodes |  |  |  | |
| Increasing use of drugs or alcohol. |  |  |  | |
| In possession of money/gifts/items/phones/clothing that cannot be accounted for |  |  |  | |
| Change in physical appearance and/or change in behaviour i.e. more secretive / withdrawn / isolated from peers or not mixing with usual friends. |  |  |  | |
| Pregnancy, termination, tested for sexually transmitted infections |  |  |  | |
| Been coerced or forced into taking/sharing indecent images of self or others |  |  |  | |
| Involvement in criminal activity |  |  |  | |
| Has more than one mobile phone |  |  |  | |
| Indicates they feel indebted to other individuals or groups |  |  |  | |
| Connections with other people involved in gangs, criminality or organised crime and/or fear of reprisal from ‘gang’ members or violence from young people or adults. |  |  |  | |
| Missing items/money from home |  |  |  | |
| Associating with other young people known to be involved in exploitation. |  |  |  | |
| Believed to be carrying/concealing weapons |  |  |  | |
| Poor/reduced school/college attendance - under 60% |  |  |  | |
| Not attending school at all |  |  |  | |
| Increasingly disruptive, hostile or physically aggressive at home or school, including use of sexualised language and language in relation to drug dealing and/or violence |  |  |  | |
| Physical injuries such as bruising, indicative of physical or sexual assault. |  |  |  | |
| Minimising or retracting statements of harm/assault made to Police/Professionals |  |  |  | |
| Expressions around invincibility or not caring what happens to them. |  |  |  | |
| Possession of hotel keys / cards or keys to unknown premises. |  |  |  | |
| Reports of young person being taken to/found at parties, people’s houses, hotels, nightclubs, takeaways or out of area by/with unknown young people/adults. |  |  |  | |
| Forming relations with unknown young people/adults, including online. |  |  |  | |
| Known to be involved in criminal activity in exchange for money, drugs etc. |  |  |  | |
| Believed to be moved around / travelling to undertake criminal activity |  |  |  | |
| Receiving rewards of money or good to recruit others to criminal activity. |  |  |  | |
| Found with large quantities of drugs or weapons. |  |  |  | |
| Found with drugs inside rectum or vagina. |  |  |  | |
| Self-harm indicators/mental health concerns/suicidal thoughts |  |  |  | |

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| **Please summarise the evidence drawn upon to complete the above and detail why you Are or Are NOT recommending a full CE Risk Assessment be completed** | | | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | | | |
| **Name of person completing screening:** | Click or tap here to enter text. | **Role:** | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Organisation/Team:** | Click or tap here to enter text. | **Contact Number**  **And Email:** | Click or tap here to enter text. |