



Centre for Professional Practice

Practice Briefing Note 81

Title:	A Young Carer's Practice Guidance
Effective From:	18th September 2020
Practice Note:	<p>A young carer is a person under the age of 18 years who regularly provides emotional and/or practical support and assistance for a family member who is disabled, physically or mentally unwell, or who misuses substances.</p> <p>The Young Carer's Practice Guidance has been developed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">✚ Explain what a young carer is, and the legal definitions behind this.✚ Set out the Local Authority's obligations towards a young carer, including the processes involved following referral to MASH.✚ Provide practice guidance in relation to Needs Assessments and Transitions Assessments.✚ Provide further reading and support, including referral to the Dudley Young Carer's Project, and links to the Dudley Carers Wellbeing Hub, Dudley Connexions Young Carers, and Sandwell Advocacy for Young Carers.
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