**Child/Young Person seen within 7 working days**

**hsh**

**S**

**Carefirst checks and PNC checks are carried out**

**hsh**

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**hsh**

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**DBS checks carried out anyone 16 or over in the household**

**hsh**

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**Private Fostering Notification Agreement and Consent Form completed within 7 working days**

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**Private Fostering referral received by MASH**

**hsh**

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**Private Fostering Notification Agreement and Consent Form completed within 7 working days**

**hsh**

**S**

**MASH complete Initial Contact, adding Private Fostering status to Carefirst and pass to relevant Safeguarding and Care Planning Team**

**hsh**

**S**

**Private Fostering referral received by MASH**

**hsh**

**S**

**Child/Young Person already in Private Fostering Placement or moved in to placement within 48 hours**

**hsh**

**S**

**Child/Young Person not yet in Private Fostering Placement**

**hsh**

**S**

**Allocated Social Worker sees child within 7 working days of initial contact**

**(Regulation 7 visit)**

**hsh**

**S**

**Views of child, parents and carers sought and accommodation seen within 7 days of Initial Contact**

**(Regulation 4 visit)**

**S**

**Please Note**

The child can become a Child in Need at any stage in the assessment if it is deemed necessary

**Private Fostering Assessment completed within 40 working days of Initial Contact including a minimum of 5 visits to the child/young person and placement. This includes medical assessments and independent references on carers**

**S**

**Decision made whether child is Child in Need**

**hsh**

**S**

**Assessment sent to Team Manager for authorisation**

**hsh**

**S**

**If Child in Need, CIN meeting convened within 10 working days of authorisation of Private Fostering Assessment**

**S**

**Agency Decision Maker form sent to Agency Decision Maker**

**hsh**

**S**

**Agency Decision Maker makes final decision with 48 hours**

**hsh**

**S**

**Social Worker continues to visit child 6 weekly (minimum) for first year and then 12 weekly thereafter**

**hsh**

**S**

**Key:**

**Decision Required**

**S**