### Assessment of the parent(s) and the potential risk to the child:

**Learning disabilities**

* Do both parents present with a learning disability?
* What do we know about the severity of their diagnosis?
* What are the known or anticipated stressors e.g. having a disabled child, domestic violence, poor physical or mental health, substance misuse, social isolation, poor housing, poverty, and a history of growing up in care?
* What kind of support might they need to develop sufficient understanding, resources, skills, and experience to meet the needs of their child?
* Do they understand the baby’s needs?
* Is there concern that they may struggle to adjust their parenting to keep up with the changing needs of the baby as they develop?
* What needs have been identified for the parents in their own right?
* Are there services available to match the identified needs?
* What professional concerns about the capacity of the pregnant woman and her partner to self-care and/or to care for the baby exist?