

London MASH Project

RAG (Red, Amber, Green) Ratings for Incidents and Referrals



To be used for an initial assessment of the risk posed to the child or young person *based upon the information provided.*

	Red	Amber	Green
Risk Level	Child or young person appears to be at risk of immediate and/or serious harm.	Child or young person at risk of harm, but not imminent and possibly less serious.	Concerns about the wellbeing of child or young person, which if not addressed, may lead to poor outcomes.
Links to London Continuum of Need Level	Level 4 Complex or Acute	Level 3 High or Complex	Level 2 Low to Vulnerable
Linked to Borough Threshold Document	<i>To be completed by each local authority using the terms they have adopted.</i>		
Action/MASH Response Time	Relevant teams informed immediately; MASH product within 4 Hours	As soon as possible, but within One Working Day	As soon as possible, but within Three Working Days

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Examples	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Domestic Violence (Level 4 on Barnardos Scale) • Child Trafficking • Child likely to be at risk of physical assault if returned to the primary carer/ suspect • Parent has serious mental health condition and child subject to parental delusion • Child being sexually exploited • Very young or vulnerable child left alone • Serious self harm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Domestic Violence (Level 3 on Barnardos Scale) • Children regularly appear dirty and clothing is inappropriate to season • Non organic failure to thrive • Inappropriate sexual/sexualised behaviour • Emotional neglect where earlier interventions have failed to be effective • Young people experiencing current harm through their use of substances 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Domestic Violence (Levels 1 & 2 on Barnardos Scale) • Truanting/Child Missing Education • Child/young person has caring responsibilities that impact upon behaviour/development • Behavioural difficulties • Associating with anti-social or criminally active peers
Agency to Take Action	Children’s Social Care with Police OR Children’s Social Care OR Specialist Services	Children’s Social Care OR Specialist Services OR Universal Partnership Plus	Universal OR Universal Plus OR Universal Partnership Plus