

**Cared For Children’s Health Team**

The Cared for Children’s Team are responsible for coordinating the health of looked after children 0-18 and care leavers up to the age of 24 in Tameside & Glossop and oversight of those placed out of Tameside. We are 9am-5pm Monday to Friday service and can offer support and advice on any health issues relating to cared for children. We also are responsible alongside our colleagues health visiting and school nursing in assessing, implementing, signposting and evaluating the health needs of this vulnerable population of children and young people.

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**Administrative Team**

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**Initial Health Assessments (IHA)**

A cared for child has a statutory initial health assessment within 20 working days of becoming cared for.

It is important that all demographic details are correct and carer’s numbers are up to date in order for us to meet the statutory timescale.

An initial health assessment is usually completed by a community paediatrician in a local health clinic.

A report with an action plan is formulated and sent back to business support and uploaded onto LCS.

**Support**

If you require health to be in attendance at any care planning meetings, risk management meetings or strategy meetings please either email the admin team on [caredforchildrenadmin@tgh.nhs.uk](mailto:caredforchildrenadmin@tgh.nhs.uk) or ring them on 0161 335 2984 where they will forward the invite or in an urgent case sign post you to the relevant team.

If you require any support in relation to a child’s or young person’s health please contact the health professional involved in the case. If you are unsure who this is please contact the admin team who will be happy to signpost you.

Generally the caseload is broken down as:

Under 5’s – health visitors

Over 5’s – school nurses

16-18 years, care leavers, children living in residential homes, complex cases – cared for childrens nurses

Tameside children placed out of area – health team where they reside, sometimes cared for childrens team

For any queries please don’t hesitate to contact the team.

**Review Health Assessments (RHA)**

A cared for child has a statutory review health assessment every 6 months for under 5’s and every 12 months for over 5’s up to the age of 18.

At 18 cared for children will have a health visit to ensure health needs are being met post 18.

It is important that all demographic details are correct and carer’s numbers are up to date in order for us to meet the statutory timescale.

A review health assessment is usually completed by a health visitor, school nurse or cared for children’s nurse either at home, clinic or school depending on where the child/young person wants to be seen.

A report with an action plan is formulated and sent back to business support and uploaded onto LCS.