

Key issues

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Working with disabled children

It is important to keep an open mind as to the possible range of reasons for a particular kind of behaviour in a child with a disability. It should not just be attributed to their disability.

Disabled children have the right to receive a comprehensive child-focussed assessment of their needs, in which their views and expectations are central

Services should be targeted to meet the individual needs of the child.

The importance of multi-agency working

Attendance at child protection conferences and core groups is important - if someone is unable to attend a child protection conference should be provided

Where there are concerns of risk to an unborn child agencies should make contingency plans in the event of premature delivery

A discharge plan should be made where there are concerns about the safety of a child in hospital. This includes new born children.

For further details and copies of the Executive Summaries of recent SCRs please go to www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/nscb