

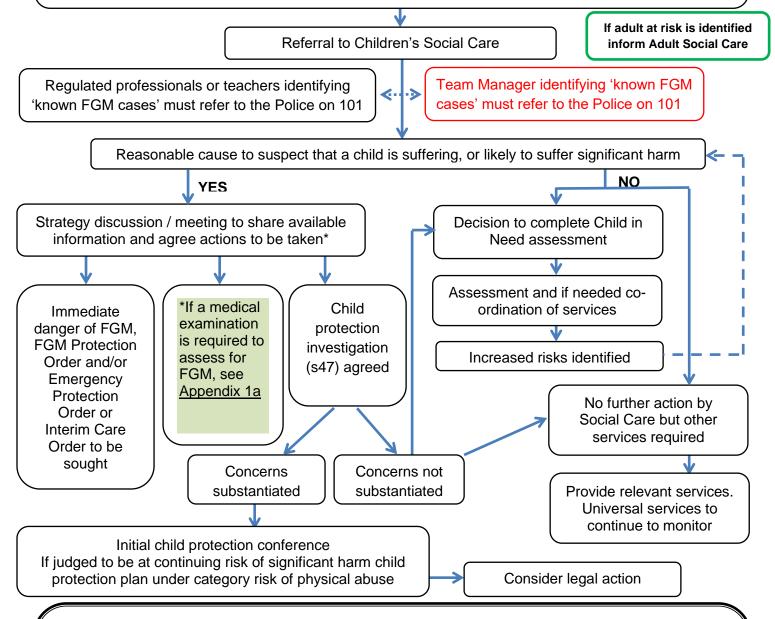
<u>Appendix 1:</u> Multi-agency FGM Risk Assessment, Decision Making and Action Flowchart

Concerns about possible FGM or risk of FGM, consider hymenoplasty and virginity testing as part of any risk assessment to a girl aged under 18 years

Immediately discuss with line manager and /or agency's named professional for safeguarding children. Record observations, disclosures and information

FGM appears to have taken place or risk of FGM identified

- Indicators that the female child is at risk of FGM or signs that FGM has taken place
- There has been a disclosure that the female child is at risk of FGM or has been subject to FGM or
- A woman requests re-infibulation after birth of a baby or has already been re-infibulated



IN ALL CASES

- Refer to DDSCP safeguarding children procedures
- Sisters, unborn babies and female children in the extended family must also be protected from harm
- Consideration of women at risk of FGM referral under adult safeguarding procedures
- Provide information about health consequences and the UK law (at an appropriate time)
- Give details for community groups for support
- Discuss specialist services for any child or adult related health or psychological needs
- * If a medical examination is indicated to assess for FGM, see separate flow chart for pathway Appendix1A

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