

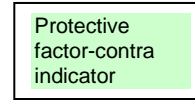
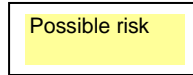
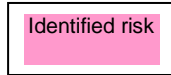
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“Safeguarding Children & Young People Who May Be Affected by Gang Activity” – DCSF

Risk Assessment Tool – use these colours to indicate levels of risk

Key:



**Child’s details:**

Child Development	Parenting Capacity	Family /Environment
<b>High Level Risk Factors</b>		
Early problems with antisocial and criminal behaviour	Historically involved with or known to social services	Family members involved with or associated with gangs
Persistent offending	Lax parental supervision	Wider family involved in gangs
Unable to regulate own emotions and behaviour	Lack of parental attachment to child	Community norms that tolerate crime
Physical violence and aggression	Conflict (and violence) in the home	Local tensions between ethnic/cultural/religious groups
Permanent exclusion from school	Parental abuse	Known gang recruitment at school
Friends condoning or involved in antisocial and aggressive behaviour	Parents aggressive towards or unwilling to engage with statutory agencies	Presence of gangs in the community
Alcohol and drug misuse	Child not protected from significant harm or danger, including contact with unsafe adults	High levels of local crime including drug market
<b>Medium risk factors</b>		
Mental health problems (?)	Lack of emotional care	Availability and use of drugs
Aggression, behavioural problems	Allowing child to associate with known troublemakers	Criminal conviction of parents or siblings
Depression	Violent discipline	Witness or victim of domestic violence
Truancy and unexplained absences from school	Lack of parental discipline	
Bullied or bullying others	Inconsistent or minimal boundaries	
Medical history of repeat injuries or accidents		

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<b>Child Development</b>	<b>Parenting Capacity</b>	<b>Family /Environment</b>
Child in local authority care or leaving care		
<b>Low level risk factors</b>		
Aggressive bullying by siblings		Lack of positive models in the community
Lack of ethnic identity	Parents don't model positive and responsible behaviour	Transient families
Peer rejection	Absent parent	Lack of age-appropriate safe play facilities in the area
Not involved in positive activities	Unstable family environment	Financial difficulties affecting the child
Few social ties	Child left with multiple or unsuitable carers	Little interaction with neighbours and community
Exposure to violent media	Parents( <i>step-father</i> ) unable to communicate effectively with children	High unemployment
	Parent-child separation	Sustained poverty
		Lack of reliable support from wider family
		Limited access to conventional careers