



Centre for Professional Practice

## Practice Briefing Note 18

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Additional 'pick list' options for concluding S47 investigations</b>
<b>Effective From:</b>	06/02/2018
<b>Practice Note:</b>	<p>Following a Business Development change request from the Assessment Service, further outcome options have now been added to CCM when concluding a s47 investigation</p> <p>These are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Concerns substantiated, ICPC required</li><li>2. Concerns substantiated, ICPC not required</li><li>3. Concerns unsubstantiated</li></ol> <p><b>1 - Concerns substantiated, ICPC required</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Child/children are judged to be at risk of significant harm and therefore the threshold for convening an ICPC is met. This can be based on either the original concerns, or new concerns identified through the Section 47 process being evidenced</li></ul> <p><b>2 - Concerns substantiated, ICPC not required</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Concerns are substantiated but the child is not judged to be at continuing risk of significant harm. For example the caregiver has taken responsibility for the harm they caused the child and the assessment concludes that it is unlikely that the harm will occur again, the person responsible for the harm is no longer in contact with the child or because significant harm occurred as the result of an isolated incident.</li></ul> <p><b>3 - Concerns unsubstantiated</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Section 47 enquiries may not substantiate the original concerns that the child was suffering or was likely to suffer significant harm. In such circumstances it may be decided that services should be provided under section 17 of the Children Act 1989 or that no further action is necessary.</li></ul>
<b>Reason:</b>	Change Request to ensure accurate recordings regarding outcomes for s47 investigations
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