

Module 7

Analysis & Recommendations

Identifying Progress & Overall Analysis

This session is taking stock of what has and may not have been achieved. It will be important to acknowledge strengths and the progress that has been made, but also being honest about what has not improved or is outstanding. If things have not improved sufficiently explain why that is your view and be clear about what more needs to be done and with the family identify any areas for further intensive work. This may include other Adult programmes of work or further work with you. Keep the Parents motivated and continue to praise any progress that has been achieved. Include how the parents have engaged

Some of the sessions may need to be revisited to review the impact of the work undertaken and progress made or in response to new information of concern.

Overall Analysis

Think critically and analytically about the case and do not rely solely on protocols, proformas to support your professional thinking.

Analysis involves organising the information collected during the work undertaken, judging its significance and exploring different perspectives, to identify themes and reach conclusions on what these mean for the child or young person and their family. It should draw on knowledge from research and practice combined with an understanding of the child's needs.)

Provide a summary of your findings and how these support your recommendations. This could include:

- How did the parent engage and how have they worked with you?
- Have the parent/s understood what the problems/issues are and their role in this?
- Have they understood the impact on the children?
- Do they have the resources/support to make the changes needed?
- What were the strengths and what were the issues with their parenting?
- What has been the lived experience of the child(ren)?
- Given what you know about the parents' history are there any patterns or triggers?
- From your interventions and assessment what conclusions have you reached regarding the outcomes for the future and the sustainability of the changes the family have made – you must consider the long term as well as the short term?
- What support has been put in place and how effective was this?
- Are there any areas that the parent/s need further support or advice with?

Discuss any recommendations that you will be making to the next Child Protection Conference/CIN Meeting and explain why.

Suggested Tools & Resources

- **Radar charts**
- **Revisit cycle of change**
- **Decision Balance sheet**
- **Reflecting on my parenting**
- **Moving Forward Plan Template**
- **End of Session Template**
- **Developing Analysis**

Outcome

- **Recommendations to next CP Conference/CIN Meeting.**
- **Updated Family Plan going forward to sustain change**