



A Practitioner's Toolkit: Promoting, Supporting and Safeguarding the Wellbeing of Children & Young People in Perth and Kinross

Checklist No 2: Five Key GIRFEC Questions

Who can use this Checklist and when can it be used?

All practitioners and managers in all services/agencies can use this Checklist to reflect on any worries or concerns they may have about a child or young person's wellbeing. This is a self-reflective Checklist.

Name of Child or Young Person		Age		Date of Birth	
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No	Question	Notes
1	<i>What is getting in the way of this child or young person's wellbeing?</i>	
2	<i>Do I have all the information I need to help this child or young person?</i>	
3	<i>What can I do now to help this child or young person?</i>	
4	<i>What can my agency do to help this child or young person?</i>	
5	<i>What additional help, if any, may be needed from others?</i>	

What is the information telling me?

Using this Checklist, analyse the information gathered and ask yourself the key question, **“what is this information telling me?”**.

Consider the information gathered and identify the key risk factors for the child or young person or the parent/carer and their wider world. The Checklist will highlight the specific areas of concern/need/risk (your evidence) and should give you an overview of what you consider to be the key issues.

Now form a view as to the level of concern/need/risk for the child or young person or the parent/carer, taking account of the interaction between the child or young person or the parent/carer and their wider world.

What is the information telling you about the level of concern/need/risk?

What is the information telling me about the level of concern/need/risk? *(Consider frequency, duration, severity, single or accumulative in nature - significance of factors in reaching a conclusion about the level of concern/need/risk).*

What am I going to do next?

Date Completed

Completed By

Line Manager

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