

Next Steps

- 1) Please complete the Reducing Parental conflict referral form and relevant documents on the Harmony at Home portal page which can be found at [Reducing Parental Conflict Targeted Requests \(worcschildrenfirst.org.uk\)](https://www.worcschildrenfirst.org.uk)
The link can also be found in the professionals section on the Harmony at Home website. <https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/harmonyathome>
- 3) The Reducing Parental conflict panel will assess the need based on the criteria described above
- 4) You will be informed of the outcome and any advice / next steps via e-mail from the early help partnership e-mail address.
- 5) Accepted referrals will be sent onto Barnardos for them to action.
- 6) Barnardos will confirm receipt of the referral and make contact with the family to engage them and set up the first meeting in 5 working days.
- 7) Any concerns or worries or changes in position during their period of time please contact the early help partnership on:
earlyhelppartnership@worcschildrenfirst.org.uk

Outcome

Barnardos will submit their Reducing Parental Conflict intervention on an outcome form. This will be uploaded as a standalone form on the child (ren's) record by the Early Help Partnership. They will also complete their outcomes against the supporting family's agenda. This information is then available to WCF to incorporate in the child's plan and outcomes.

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Worcestershire

Reducing Parental Conflict - Targeted Reducing Parental Conflict intervention referral criteria and pathway



Introduction

We know that parental conflict has a detrimental impact on children and young people whether they experience this at home or their parents co-parent apart.

Worcestershire Children First have received a short-term grant from DWP that we have used to commission Barnardo's to deliver some time limited targeted intervention on Reducing Parental Conflict. This intervention is targeted at children whose parental relationship is in conflict and it is having an impact upon them, whether they are parenting together or apart. This is a 4 – 6-week programme for **BOTH** parents who have already completed the Harmony at home tools with a practitioner, **AND** whose relationship remains in conflict **AND** need a more targeted intervention. This programme of intervention is for adults where their conflict has not escalated into Domestic Abuse or been reported to Worcestershire Children First as domestic abuse.

Before referring a family, please ensure you have read the referral criteria below as this will help determine who is put forward for the intervention under the grant criteria.

Reducing Parental Conflict criteria for referral for intervention

- the family must have meaningfully engaged in an intervention prior to the referral for at least 4 weeks
- both parents must agree to the referral
- the family must reside in Worcestershire
- the child(ren) of the parents must be under the age 18 or (25 if have SEND)
- the relationship must have been identified as currently in conflict and not Domestic Abuse with no domestic abuse within the last 12 months
- the referrer must be able to continue to support the family whilst the specialist intervention takes place through learning shared by the specialist service to the referrer
- this will be through professional case discussions, which will take place whilst the specialist intervention is taking place