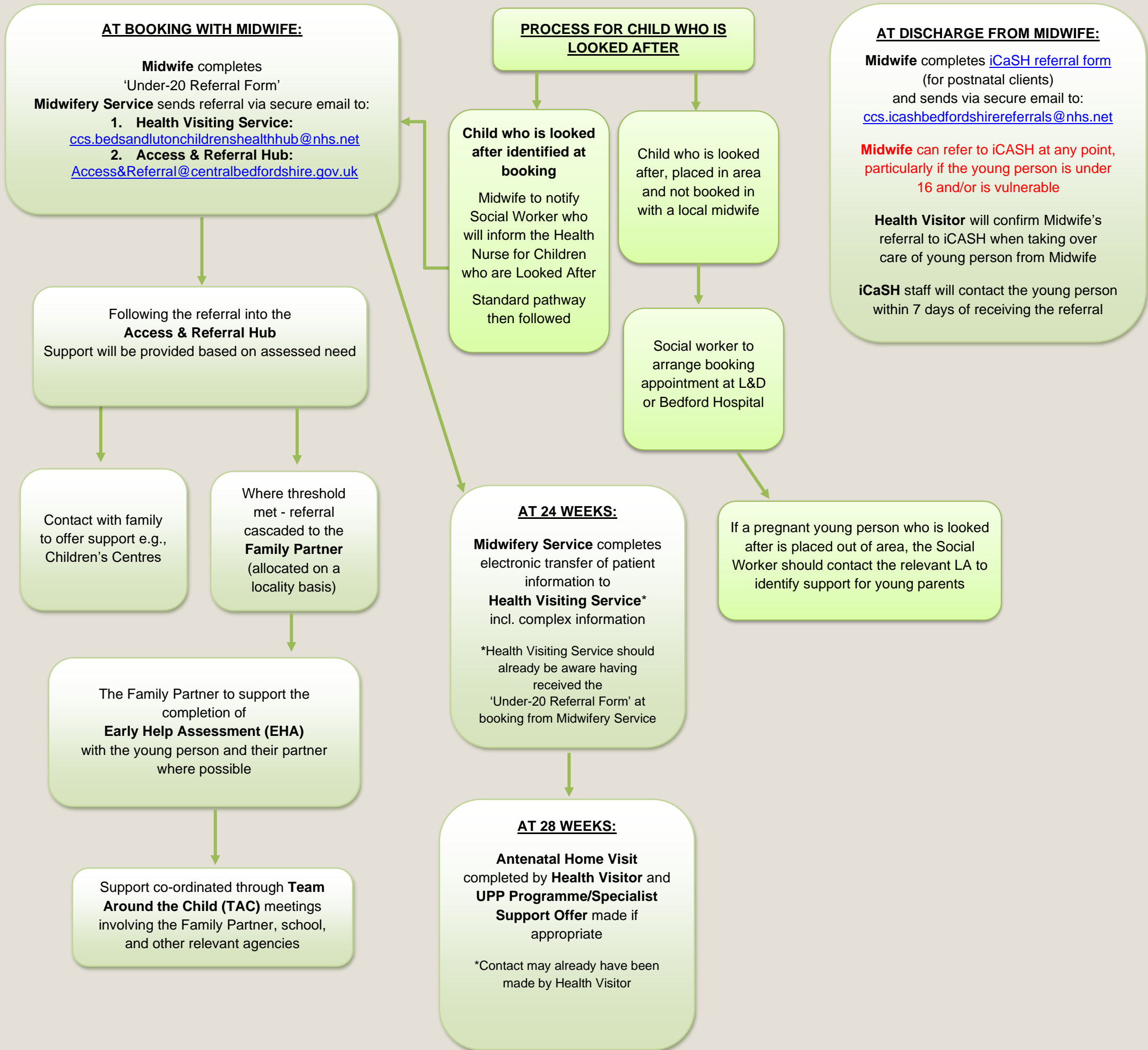


Support Pathway for Parents Under 20

May 2023



Safeguarding
 Identification of Safeguarding Concerns should initiate immediate referral to Children's Services Access and Referral Team
Access&Referral@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk

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Midwifery Support

The majority of Under-20 booking referrals are received from Luton and Dunstable Hospital and Bedford Hospital. A minority of referrals are also received from midwifery teams at Milton Keynes General Hospital, Lister Hospital, and the Rosie Hospital.

Upon booking in with a midwife, the midwife will complete a referral form with the young person and discuss and collect a wide range of information regarding both parents, wider family, and support networks. On this form they consent to being contacted by the relevant organisations.

Young people can self-refer to midwifery services via:

[Early Self-Referral to Maternity Services - Bedfordshire Hospitals NHS Trust](#)

Late bookers should be referred as soon as possible and will follow the pathway for appropriate support.

Luton and Dunstable - Teenage Pregnancy Midwifery Team

For all queries the Teenage Pregnancy Midwifery Team (Liberty Team) can be contacted on: **Tel. 07817 824869**

Bedford Hospital

For queries about self-referrals/scans the Midwifery Team can be contacted on: **01234 795935**.

To contact the Community Admin Team about a booking appointment call: **07767 441563**.

Early Help Assessments (EHA)

An EHA should be used for any case that requires Early Help services or support. Referrers complete an Early Help Assessment which can be found at: <http://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/school/professionals/information-practitioners/eha-forms.aspx> .

Completed Early Help Assessment (EHA) forms can be sent by secure email to the Early Help Service: earlyhelp@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk

Safeguarding

For information, advice and policies for professionals working with children in Central Bedfordshire visit:

<http://www.centralbedfordshirelscb.org.uk/lscb-website/professionals/professionals>

Contact:

- **Central Bedfordshire Access and Referral Hub** on: **0300 300 8585** during office hours which are: 08.45am to 5.20pm Monday to Thursday and 08.45am to 4.20pm on a Friday
- **Social Care Emergency Duty Team** on: **0300 300 8123** (outside office hours)
- **The Allegations Manager** on: **0300 300 4832** or **0300 300 4833**

Family Partners

The Family Partner provides a range of support throughout pregnancy, preparing for baby's arrival and support following the birth and looking after a new baby including;

- looking after themselves as a parent
- understanding child development including behaviour
- providing a safe home environment
- support to access local services, including children's centres, health services such as health visitors, housing and other voluntary and community services
- support to stay in education, return to education or seek alternative education

All referrals for Family Partners must go through the access and referral hub by email to: Access&Referral@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk

The 0-19 Health Visiting Service

Midwifery Services send all pregnant women's details electronically to the 0-19 Health Visiting Team at 24 weeks. Where there is a concern, details are shared earlier via **information sharing in line with the safeguarding pathway**. All young parents known to the 0-19 Service will have an Antenatal Review at 28-32 weeks of pregnancy and vulnerable families will be offered the Universal Partnership Plus Programme (UPP)/Specialist Support. The programme, based on the Family Partnership Model, proactively uses family strengths and expertise combined with needs-based support to achieve set goals. The complete schedule is from 28 weeks of pregnancy to when the child reaches 4 years.

Contact: 0-19 Service Health Hub (Bedfordshire Children's Community Health Services): ccs.bedsandlutonchildrenshealthub@nhs.net

Tel. 0300 555 0606

Referrals to Contraceptive and Sexual Health Services and support

All young women will be supported to access contraception post-birth and this will be discussed in the late antenatal period.

Midwife completes referral to Contraceptive and Sexual Health Services (iCaSH) and sends via secure email to:

ccs.icashbedfordshirereferrals@nhs.net

Contact iCaSH: ccs.icashbedfordshirereferrals@nhs.net **Tel: 0300 300 3030 (Option4)** www.icash.nhs.uk

For further information on any aspect of the pathway contact:

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