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Health Assessment – Children Looked After

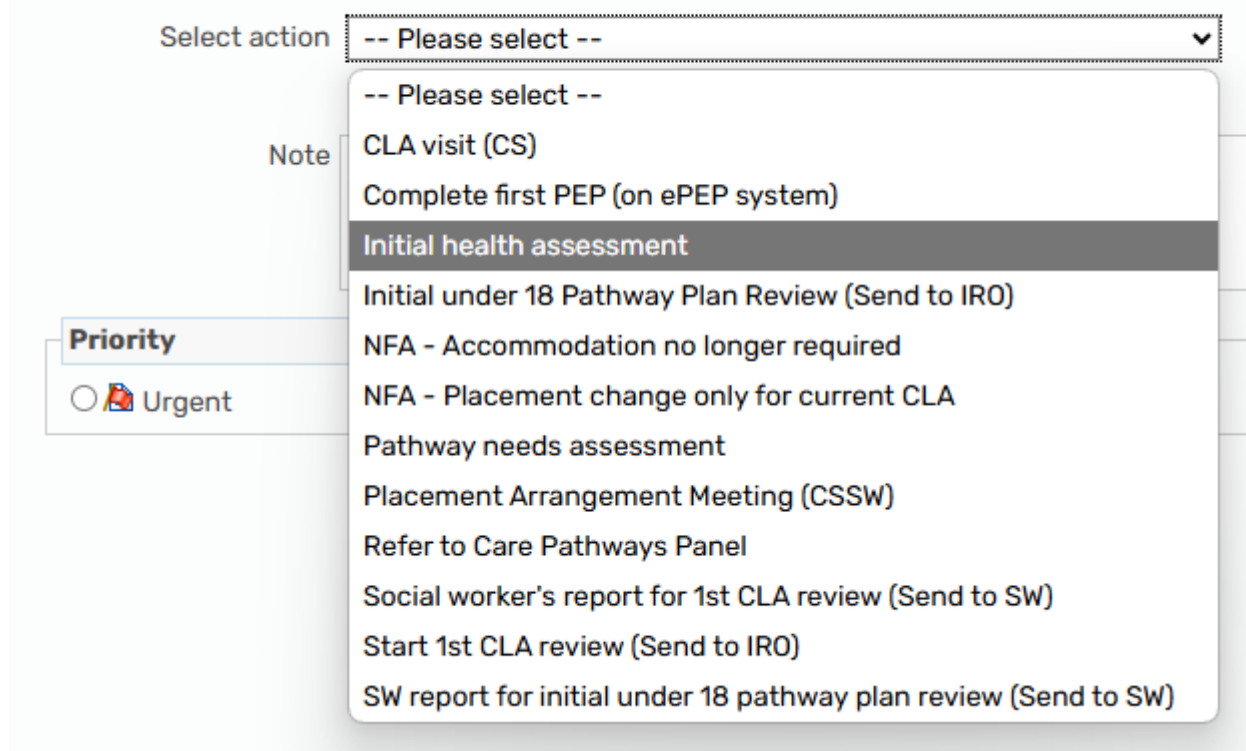
Every looked after child should have a health assessment when they first become looked after in order to identify their health needs and ensure that these are addressed in their health care plan.

- Social workers are responsible for making arrangements for assessments to be carried out, but foster carers may have a role in bringing children to assessments.
- Following assessment, the CLA paediatrician or CLA nurse will make recommendations for the child's health care that will be included in the child's health care plan.
- Initial health assessments will be requested by the social worker within 2 working days of the child becoming looked after and carried out within 2 weeks so that the child's health plan is available at the first statutory CLA review.
- Initial health assessments should be carried out by the CLA health team based at the Crowndale Centre as they have specific expertise, unless this is not practicable because the child lives out of the London area. Review health assessments may be carried out by the CLA nurse at the placement or by the local CLA health team where the child is placed.
- A review health assessment should be carried out every 6 months for children aged under 5 years and every year for children aged 5 years and over.
- The child's health care plan is part of their care plan and will be completed by the CLA paediatrician or CLA nurse; the first health care plan should be available at the first statutory CLA review held one month after the child becomes looked after.
- Subsequent reviews of the health care plan will take place at 3 months then every 6 months at the statutory CLA review of the child's care plan.

Initial Health Assessment

The 'Decision to seek accommodation' work step initiates the initial health assessment workflow. The next action 'Initial Health Assessment' will assign to the allocated social worker the 'CLA Initial Health Assessment' work step.

Next actions



Select action -- Please select --

Note

Initial health assessment

Initial under 18 Pathway Plan Review (Send to IRO)

NFA - Accommodation no longer required

NFA - Placement change only for current CLA

Pathway needs assessment

Placement Arrangement Meeting (CSSW)

Refer to Care Pathways Panel

Social worker's report for 1st CLA review (Send to SW)

Start 1st CLA review (Send to IRO)

SW report for initial under 18 pathway plan review (Send to SW)

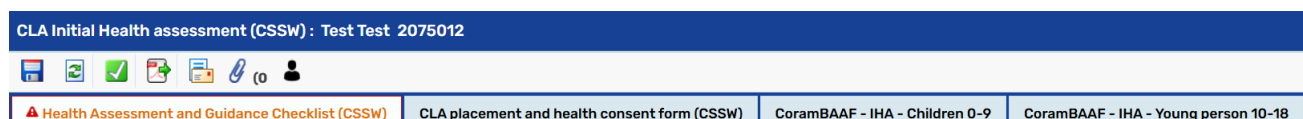
Priority

☐ Urgent

Where an Initial Health Assessment has not been assigned as a next action from the 'Decision to seek accommodation' work step or where the work step may have been cancelled, the Social Worker can initiate the 'CLA Initial Health Assessment (CSSW)' work step via the 'Start' option on the Mosaic front screen.

There are **TWO mandatory** forms within the CLA Initial Health Assessment (CSSW) work step:

1. **Health Assessment and Guidance Checklist (CSSW)**
2. **CoramBAAF - IHA - Children 0-9 OR CoramBAAF - IHA - Young person 10-18**



CLA Initial Health assessment (CSSW): Test Test 2075012

Health Assessment and Guidance Checklist (CSSW) | CLA placement and health consent form (CSSW) | CoramBAAF - IHA - Children 0-9 | CoramBAAF - IHA - Young person 10-18



The Social Worker is required to complete the Social Workers Health Assessment Checklist found at the bottom of Section 1 of the 'Health Assessment Guidance and Checklist' form once each action from the checklist has been carried out.

Health Assessment and Guidance Checklist (CSSW)	CLA placement and health consent form (CSSW)	CoramBAAF - IHA - Children 0-9	CoramBAAF - IHA - Young person 10-18
Sections 1. Child Health Assessment 2. Next actions indicates completed section	<p>• The first assessment should be conducted before the first placement or, if not reasonably practicable, before the child's first Child Care Review (unless one has been done within the previous 3 months);</p> <p>• For children aged up to and including five years, further Health Assessments should occur at least once every six months;</p> <p>• For children aged over five years, further Health Assessments should occur at least annually.</p> <p>These are a statutory requirement for all Children Looked After and young people up to the age of 18 years.</p> <p>Who carries out Health Assessments?</p> <p>The first Health Assessments must be conducted by a registered medical practitioner. Subsequent assessments may be carried out by a suitable professional who is deemed most appropriate, which may be either the child's health visitor or school nurse.</p> <p>The relevant pro-forma should be chosen based on whether it is the child or young person's first Health Assessment (IHA) or a Review Health Assessment (RHA) and on the child or young person's age (up to and including 10 years, or over 10 years).</p> <p>Social Worker's Health Assessment Checklist</p> <p>Please tick off the checklist to confirm you have completed each task before finishing the work step.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> CYP age between 0-9 years</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CYP age over 10 years</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Health Assessment forms downloaded to PDF and emailed them to lacadmin.cnwl@nhs.net</p> <p>Please confirm you have completed this task</p> <p>After Health Assessment has been completed and returned by the CLA Health Team:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Completed Health Assessment form received from CLA Health Team and have uploaded the PDF documents to this work step</p> <p>Please confirm you have completed this task</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Section completed</p>		

Select the relevant age group in order to ensure that the appropriate forms have been generated. If the 'CYP age between 0-9 years' is checked, the following prompt will appear to remind you of which health assessment form needs to be completed

Message

Please complete the CoramBAAF-IHA-Children 0-9 Form (for Initial Health Assessment) or CoramBAAF-RHA-Children 0-9 Form (For Review Health Assessment)

OK

For children aged between 0-9 years, the minimum forms that need to be completed for an IHA to go ahead are:

- 1. CLA Placement and Health Consent Form (CSSW) – PART A ONLY**
- 2. CoramBAAF - IHA - Children 0-9**



If the 'CYP age over 10 years' is checked, the following prompt will appear to remind you of which health assessment form needs to be completed:

Message

Please complete the CoramBAAF-IHA-Children 10-18 Form (for Initial Health Assessment) or CoramBAAF-RHA-Children 10-18 Form (For Review Health Assessment)

OK

For children aged between 10-18 years, the minimum forms that need to be completed for an IHA to go ahead are:

1. CLA Placement and Health Consent Form (CSSW) – PART A ONLY

2. CoramBAAF - IHA - Young person 10-18

▲ Health Assessment and Guidance Checklist (CSSW)

CLA placement and health consent form (CSSW)

CoramBAAF - IHA - Children 0-9

CoramBAAF - IHA - Young person 10-18

NOTE: Both of these forms will be visible on the tab, however only one form needs to be completed.



The '**CLA placement and health consent form (CSSW)**' must be completed for the Initial Health Assessment. The form is also available to complete outside of the work step (if consent is required before the work step is available)

Health Assessment and Guidance Checklist (CSSW) | **CLA placement and health consent form (CSSW)** | CoramBAAF - IHA - Children 0-9 | CoramBAAF - IHA - Young person 10-18

Sections

- 1. Child Health Assessment
- 2. Next actions

● indicates completed section

The first assessment should be conducted before the first placement or, if not reasonably practicable, before the child's first Child Care Review (unless one has been done within the previous 3 months);

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These are a statutory requirement for all Children Looked After and young people up to the age of 18 years.

Who carries out Health Assessments?

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Social Worker's Health Assessment Checklist

Please tick off the checklist to confirm you have completed each task before finishing the work step.

- ☐ CYP age between 0-9 years
- ☒ CYP age over 10 years
- ☐ Health Assessment forms downloaded to PDF and emailed them to lacadmin.cnwl@nhs.net

Please confirm you have completed this task

After Health Assessment has been completed and returned by the CLA Health Team:

- ☐ Completed Health Assessment form received from CLA Health Team and have uploaded the PDF documents to this work step

Please confirm you have completed this task

☐ Section completed

NOTE: The Social Worker must download the **Health Assessment Form** into a PDF format and email it to the Looked After Health Team at the email address provided. The work step should remain open until the completed Health Assessment has been received and attached to this work step.

Additional Forms

It is good practice to include the CoramBAAF Parental Health forms when booking an IHA; however, difficulties in obtaining this information should not delay an IHA from being booked.

You can trigger these and other additional forms that the health team request by clicking on



the 'optional forms and letters' icon



Optional forms and letters

[CoramBAAF - IHA - Young person 10-18](#)

[CoramBAAF - Neonatal report on child - Form B](#)

[CoramBAAF - Obstetric report on mother - Form M](#)

[CoramBAAF - RHA - Children](#)

[CoramBAAF - RHA - Young person](#)

[CoramBAAF - Report on health of birth parent - PH](#)


[CoramBAAF - Report on health of birth parent PH 2](#)

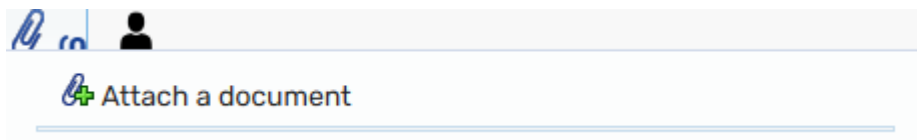
Cancel

Once you have sent off your forms, DO NOT try to Finish the work step. This needs to stay open so that the full IHA, completed by the health team, can be uploaded onto the work step.

After the health assessment has taken place:

Once the Health Assessment has been completed by the Health Team and returned, the Social Worker will need to attach the PDF documents to the CLA Initial Health Assessment

work step by clicking on the  icon and then selecting 'Attach a document'





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NOTE: Check this off only after the completed Health Assessment has been received and attached as a pdf to this work step.

CLA Initial Health Assessment (CSSW) - Next Action

If the decision is no further action, then the Next Action '**No Further Action**' should be selected and this will terminate Health Assessment workflow.

If the decision is made to schedule a Review Health Assessment, then the Next Action '**CLA Review Health Assessment**' should be selected and assigned to the allocated Social Worker. This work step will be scheduled to start in after six months.

CLA Review Health Assessment (CSSW)

Once you upload your IHA and 'green tick' your 'CLA Initial Health Assessment (CSSW)' work step, another Review Health Assessment work step will be triggered. **This is where you will be required to save the Review Health Assessment once it has been received.**

Usually, the health team do not require additional forms for a review health assessment to take place. If they require an additional form, they will contact you.

You can access these forms by clicking on the 'Optional forms and letters' icon



Optional forms and letters

Forms

CLA placement and health consent form (CSSW)

CoramBAAF - Carers' report YP - CR-YP

CoramBAAF - Carers' report child - CR-C

CoramBAAF - IHA - Children 0-9

CoramBAAF - IHA - Young person 10-18

CoramBAAF - Neonatal report on child - Form B

Cancel

To be able to close down this work step, you must upload the completed Review Health Assessment to the work step and tick the correct box on the checklist:

After Health Assessment has been completed and returned by the CLA Health Team:

☐ Completed Health Assessment form received from CLA Health Team and have uploaded the PDF documents to this work s

☐ Section completed

Please confirm you have completed this task

NOTE: Check this off only after the completed Health Assessment has been received and attached as a pdf to this work step.

CLA Review Health Assessment (CSSW) - Next Action

If the decision is no further action, then the Next Action '**No Further Action**' should be selected and this will terminate Health Assessment workflow.

If the decision is made to schedule a further Review Health Assessment, then the Next Action '**CLA Review Health Assessment**' should be selected and assigned to the allocated Social Worker. This work step will be scheduled to start in after six months.



Appendix A – CLA Health Assessment Workflow Process Map

