

Worry/Danger Statements explained on a Page



Description

Danger/Wellbeing Statements are behaviourally specific, straight forward descriptions of what professionals are worried will happen to the child/ren if nothing changes.



Structure/Process

1. Who is worried? eg Mark and CSC are worried.
2. What are we worried about? Describe the behaviours caused/causing harm. What are we worried about if nothing changes?
3. Impact on the child? It might include previous known consequences. Describe what is the likely future negative impact on the child/ren if things continue?



Tips

- When you first visit the family, you should share draft Danger/Wellbeing Statements to describe the worries. These should be or build on those developed in MASH.
- Danger/Wellbeing Statements MUST BE EXPLICITLY shared with the family, so they know what the worries are. If acceptable, parents/cares and child/ren can help shape them in their own words. This will increase buy-in.
- You should aim to have as few Danger/Wellbeing Statements as practicable (one if possible), pulling together similar themes, and no more than four.
- Keep the language simple and jargon free. The test is - 'would a six year old understand it?'
- Danger/Wellbeing Statements can also include worries about the family and complicating factors causing "stuckness".



Examples

See examples of 'Danger Statements & Safety Goals'.