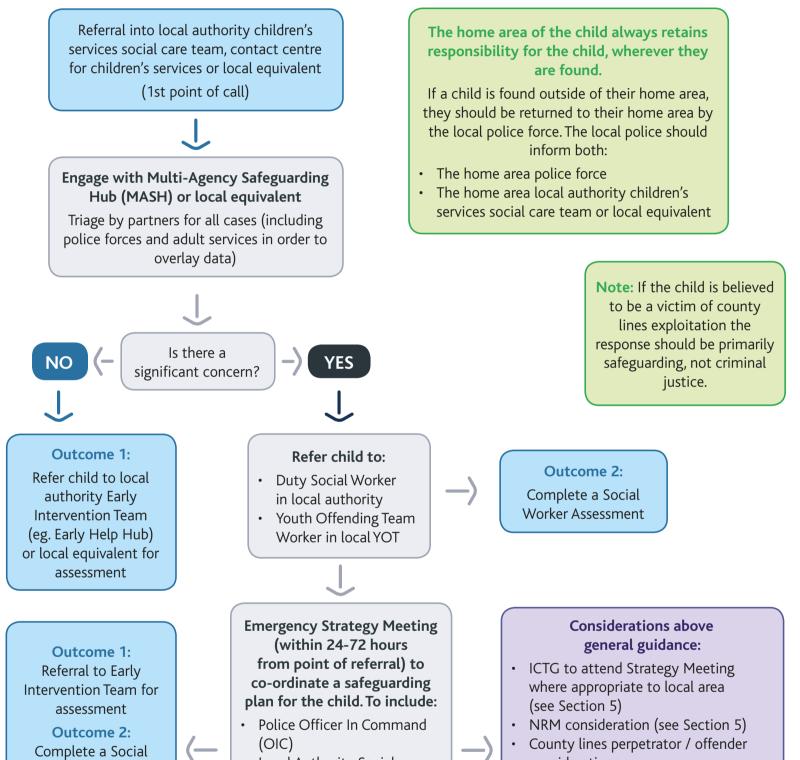


## Best Practice Safeguarding Process for Children – for use when responding to possible exploitation through county lines

**Note:** These pathways consider the devolved nature of local authorities and Youth Offending Services in England and Wales, please be aware that not all processes included may be applicable to your local area.



Worker Assessment Outcome 3: Joint Investigation and Significant Harm Enquiry (Section 47)

- Local Authority Social Worker
- Local YOT Worker
- Health partners
- Education partners
- Voluntary partners
- Other Partners

- considerations
- Police International Checks
- Speak to local Criminal Exploitation
  Expert
- Consider (Victim) Force Liaison Officer
- Outcomes placed on intelligence
  trackers where appropriate

## Police checks:

Is the offender and/or child a foreign national? If yes, revert to ICTG (see Section 5).

## **Offender considerations:**

Who is the offender? How close do they live to the child? Should the child remain at home or be moved to safety? What is the level of risk imposed?

For more information, please visit: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/county-lines-exploitation