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COMMON ASSESSMENT FRAMEWORK (CAF)

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CAF is a tool that any professional working with children, young people and their families can use to help them identify unmet additional needs. It is intended to be used to support the development of relationships with families and early intervention when it is needed.

CAF is used when we alone are unable to meet all the identified needs and it is necessary to refer a child with whom we are working to another agency for support. In some cases, it may be difficult to establish exactly what the needs are, or how those needs will be met.

Consent from family/young person is required. CAF can only be used when the child or young person and family are happy to work alongside professionals to meet the child's needs.

For more information go to www.suffolkcc.gov.uk/c

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