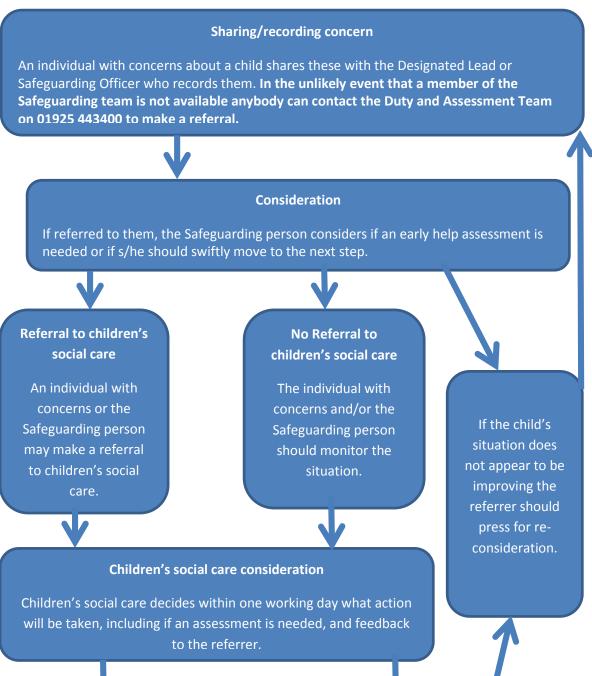
Action when a child has suffered or is likely to suffer harm

This flowchart illustrates what action should be taken and who should take it when there are concerns about a child. If, at any point, there is a risk of immediate serious harm to a child a referral should be made to children's social care immediately. In the unlikely event that a member of the Safeguarding team is not available anybody can contact the Duty and Assessment Team on 01925 443400 to make a referral.



Assessment

Children's social care completes the assessment within 45 working days of referral; it could be a section 17 or 47 assessment, all school's should allow local authorities access to facilitate arrangements.

No assessment

If no section 17 or 47 assessment is recommended an early help assessment may be recommended and/or onward referral to other specialist or universal services; children's social care will feedback to the referrer.