



THE SINGLE ASSESSMENT

February 2016 Update

The Single Assessment was launched in Northamptonshire on 11th January 2016.

The Champions will continue to update and support their teams on developments, and support the team with the implementation of the Single Assessment. As part of their role they will also be able to feedback your views and comments to the project team which will then be included in the FAQ document. A list of the champions for your reference is detailed below.

The newly formed First Response Service and the introduction of the Single Assessment has been in place since Monday 11th January 2016. This service was a merging of the previous Initial Assessment Team and the S47 Team. There are three teams within the service and they will be allocated all referrals that meet the threshold for a Social Work Assessment – i.e. the Single Assessment – this means both S17 and S47).

You will have seen the Transfer Policy which specifically identifies the transfer points for the First Response Service. This is an interim document which will be updated over the next couple of months along with the full Transfer Policy document.

The Frequently Asked Questions document has also been updated and is being disseminated.

During March there will be feedback sessions arranged for Team Managers and Practice Managers to comment on, and review the

implementation of the Single Assessment. Dates will follow shortly.

The table below shows the numbers of referrals received during the first three weeks of the Single Assessment Implementation, and the number of Single Assessments opened during that period.

w/e	Referrals to MASH	Numbers of new SAs opened to FRT	Numbers of new SAs opened to other teams	Total number of new SAs opened in the week
17/01	366	237	50	287
24/01	423	249	53	302
31/01	354	100	149	249

Kimberlea Simpson will continue to visit the local offices and is also available via phone or e-mail. If your team would benefit from additional training or support please contact Kimberlea to discuss your teams individual needs.

We will be sending out more information about The Single Assessment throughout the month of March, to include updating the Frequently Asked Questions.

If you have any questions or want to get involved with the Project contact **Kimberlea Simpson on**



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