

Quick Start Guide – Partner Early Help Assessments

Introduction to Early Help Partner Assessments

The Early Help Assessment is an assessment of needs and should not be used as a referral tool. It is an assessment tool to gather information to understand a family's current strengths and needs.

This should be done at the earliest possible opportunity to prevent needs from escalating. The assessment should be completed in partnership with children, young people, and their families along with any professionals already working with the family.

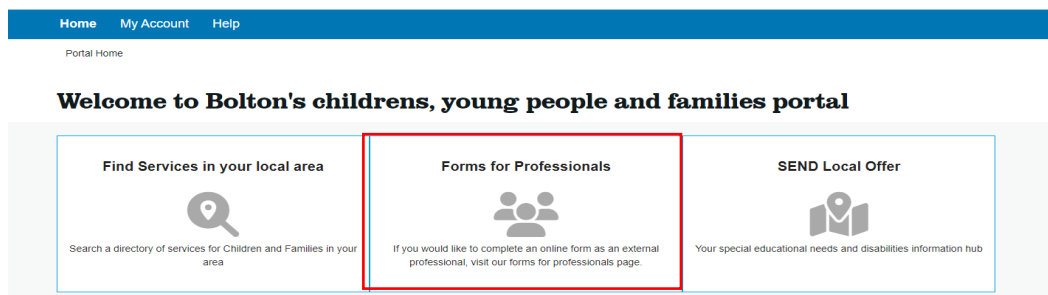
The Early Help Assessment is a family assessment and should include all children within the family, even if the presenting needs predominantly focus on one child.

Remember the Early Help Process can only begin with the family's consent. Early Help support is voluntary, and families should be aware that consent can be withdrawn at any time.

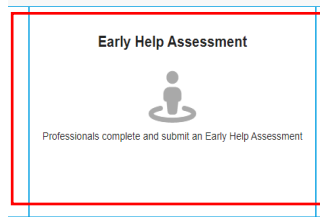
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A landing page will load, please read the information on this page, as you may find these useful,

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