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About Us...

Advanced Social Care Services (ASCS) is a multidisciplinary provider of independent health and social care assessments across the UK. We began life as Advanced Child Care Assessments (ACCA), specialising in high-quality, child-focused assessments for court proceedings and statutory services.

As demand for our expertise grew, so did the scope of our work. To reflect our broader offering, which now encompasses both child and adult services, we have restructured under the name Advanced Social Care Services (ASCS). Under this umbrella, we now operate three dedicated arms:

- ACCA, for all child- and family-centred assessments
- AACCA, for adult social care and mental health assessments
- AHCS, providing approved NHS Framework assessments

Today, we offer a wide range of assessments commissioned by Local Authorities, legal professionals, the NHS, private individuals, and through numerous nationwide commissioning frameworks.

To meet the complexity of modern health and social care needs, we now host a multidisciplinary panel of professionals, including experienced social workers, psychologists, psychiatrists, therapists, parenting practitioners, and family support workers. This diverse team enables us to deliver holistic, expert-led assessments and interventions across a broad spectrum of cases.

We work in close partnership with those who instruct us, ensuring every piece of work is completed to the highest professional standards. As such, we are committed to full compliance and transparency. Our terms and conditions, policies, procedures, and document checks are all designed to meet the criteria set by our commissioning clients, and we remain audit-ready at all times.

Our Approach

Trauma-informed, family-centred, and change-focused Meeting Nationwide Needs

Our model is built on a trauma-informed foundation, recognising the impact of adverse experiences on both children and parents. We work sensitively and respectfully, ensuring families feel safe, heard, and supported throughout the process. By placing the family at the centre of our work, we tailor interventions to their unique circumstances, strengths, and challenges, particularly in large sibling groups where dynamics can be complex. Our focus is on facilitating real, measurable change: helping families build resilience, develop safe routines, and strengthen relationships. This approach aligns with a commitment to early help and preventative strategies, offering a compassionate yet outcome-driven alternative to formal proceedings.

Assessing Real-Life Risk and Building Mitigation on the Ground Supporting Community-Based Vision

In-home supervision allows professionals to assess actual, lived risk in the family's day-to-day environment, rather than relying on simulated or centre-based scenarios. This enables the development of practical, grounded mitigation strategies that are immediately relevant and sustainable. Risks are addressed in real time, with tailored support that reflects the family's unique context, leading to more robust and confident decision-making.



Early intervention and sustainable outcomes A Strategic Fit

Our approach is rooted in early intervention, recognising that timely, targeted support can prevent families from entering formal proceedings and reduce long-term costs to the Local Authority. By working intensively with families, particularly large sibling groups, within their home environments, we identify risks early, build protective factors, and promote meaningful behavioural change. This proactive model aligns with the "Invest to Save" strategy, offering not only immediate safeguarding benefits but also long-term, sustainable outcomes that reduce repeat referrals, improve family stability, and support children to thrive within their communities.

Multi-disciplinary delivery model Supporting Families

To meet the complex needs of large sibling groups and prevent escalation into legal proceedings, our delivery model brings together a diverse team of professionals. This includes Independent Social Workers, psychologists, therapists, parenting practitioners, and family support workers, each contributing specialist insight to ensure families receive holistic, coordinated support. By working collaboratively across disciplines, we can address emotional, behavioural, and practical challenges simultaneously, enabling earlier intervention, clearer decision-making, and more sustainable outcomes. This integrated approach is designed to complement existing services while offering a flexible, scalable solution that can be rolled out across the borough.

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Service Components

Award-Winning – In the Home Programme Observations

Undertaken by an Independent Social Worker and a team of experienced Parenting Practitioners, our In-Home Programme and Community-Based Supervision are delivered within the family home and in the local community over a period and level that is determined by the instructing Local Authority or as a collective or representatives.

TOP Teaching & Snap Analysis

Both are bespoke packages of teaching and support tailored to the parents' needs. The SNAP Analysis is a complimentary service integrated into the In the Home Programme. It focuses on determining a parent's strengths and weaknesses. In contrast, the Tops Teaching programme supports parents in their homes in developing their capacity to care for their children independently or as a stand-alone service.

Family Time

The Children Act 1989/2004 imposed a duty upon Local Authorities to promote 'reasonable contact' between a looked-after child and his/her parents and specified others, providing this is consistent with the child's welfare, and it is reasonably practical to do so.

Outreach

Undertaken by our team of experienced Parenting Practitioners, our Outreach Service supports families in various circumstances by providing necessary support and supervision for parents with their children when identified risks necessitate additional safeguards.

Service Delivery



Team Structure ready to deploy

We have a fully trained, multidisciplinary team ready to mobilise, with the capacity to support multiple families simultaneously. Our practitioners are experienced in working with complex sibling groups and are prepared to deliver intensive, in-home support from day one.



Front-loaded support for immediate impact

Our model prioritises early, high-intensity engagement to stabilise families quickly and prevent escalation. By front-loading our input, we can identify risks, build protective factors, and begin meaningful change before proceedings become necessary.



Supervision and quality assurance

All interventions are overseen by senior practitioners and Independent Social Workers, with robust supervision structures in place. We maintain detailed daily logs, conduct regular reviews, and ensure all work meets the highest standards of professional accountability.



Partner with Social Care teams

We will work collaboratively with existing Social Care teams, aligning our reporting, safeguarding protocols, and communication channels with local systems. This ensures seamless integration, reduces duplication, and supports joined-up decision-making.



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"The progress Mum made will stay with me for a long time. Initially, her confidence was at rock bottom, and she had walked away from her children, believing she wasn't good enough. But Mum was committed to change, keen to know what needed to be done and how she could achieve it.

There was resistance when I recommended extended family time because, on paper, she was not expected to succeed. But I saw green shoots of confidence growing in her. Mum was determined to keep her children together, and with support, she learned to address concerns. One standout moment was when I advised her to refer to herself as 'mummy' with her children, which she initially found awkward. Within a short period, the children began calling her 'mummy,' and Mum was incredibly proud of that progress. The guidance she received from ACCA was instrumental in building her confidence as a mother.

The mum I met at the start of the assessment process was a million miles away from the mum at the end of the assessment. Her confidence and self-belief were evident, and her problem-solving skills improved significantly. The reassurance, guidance and advice from the "teaching team" were instrumental in helping Mum gain confidence in her abilities as a mother. "

– North West Local Authority

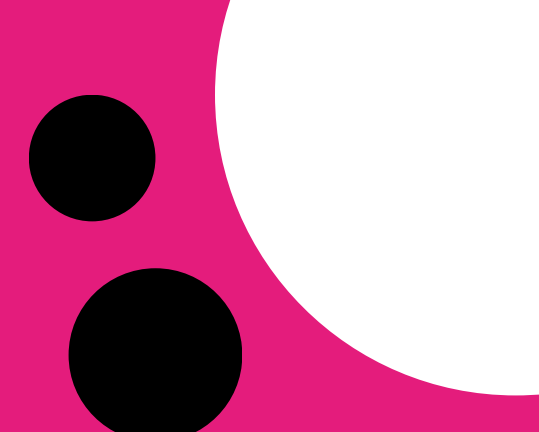
The ISW was truly dedicated throughout this process. She had frequent communication with several professionals and family members, wrote a fair and balanced parenting assessment (and sibling assessment), and gave evidence in court clearly and confidently.

Having worked with a multitude of Independent Social Workers, it's a pleasure to work alongside someone who strives to ensure professionalism, accuracy, and emotional intelligence are utilised simultaneously in their approach.

– Midlands Local Authority

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Impact Stories



Rebuilding Confidence Through Tailored Support and Therapeutic Teaching

This case was referred following longstanding concerns about a mum's emotional wellbeing and capacity to parent, rooted in significant childhood and adolescent trauma. At the outset, her self-worth was so diminished that she had disengaged from her children, believing she wasn't good enough to be their mother. Despite this, she expressed a strong desire to change and committed to regular family time, actively seeking guidance on how to improve.

Although initial recommendations for a therapeutic teaching programme and extended contact were met with professional scepticism, based on her history and presentation, direct work revealed early signs of resilience and potential. With encouragement and structured support, Mum was allowed to demonstrate her parenting capacity in a safe and supported environment.

Over the course of the assessment, her transformation was remarkable. Her confidence and self-belief grew steadily, and her problem-solving skills improved significantly. The consistent input from the teaching team played a vital role in helping her develop practical parenting strategies and emotional insight. Her determination to keep her children together was a powerful motivator throughout.

A particularly meaningful moment came when Mum followed advice to refer to herself as "mummy" during interactions with her sons. Though initially hesitant, she embraced the suggestion, and within a short time, the boys began calling her "mummy," a milestone that filled her with pride and reinforced her growing confidence.

This case highlighted the importance of trauma-informed, strengths-based interventions and the value of professional belief in a parent's potential. Mum's progress not only changed the trajectory of her own life but also created a more hopeful future for her children.

Intensive In-Home Support for a Large Sibling Group in Crisis

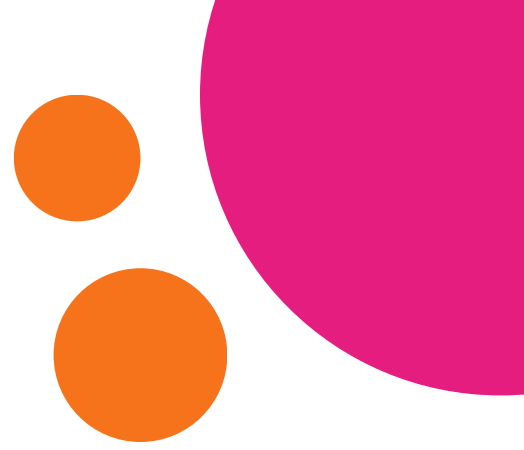
ACCA was contacted by the Local Authority to provide targeted support to a family consisting of six children and two parents. Concerns had been raised about the effectiveness of previous support provided by another organisation, and the court endorsed ACCA's involvement to deliver teaching and insight into the family's dynamics. At the initial hearing, it was confirmed that the father would be recalled to prison and was not permitted to return to the family home, leaving the mother as the sole carer.

The intervention focused on teaching around guidance and boundaries, maintaining home conditions, and re-establishing educational routines for the children. ACCA implemented a structured support model with morning and evening shifts to gain a comprehensive view of the family's daily functioning. At the point of referral, the family was in crisis: older children were involved in criminal activity, and the younger children lacked stability and consistent care. Over two weeks, ACCA staff worked intensively with the family. Mum was supported to attend professional meetings, something she had previously struggled with, and to implement a consistent morning routine that enabled the younger children to attend school on time.

A trusting relationship was built with the middle child, who was supported to create her own chore and routine chart, something she had long wanted but hadn't been able to establish. Staff also supported mum in disclosing a concealed pregnancy to the Local Authority, which helped rebuild trust and improve communication between professionals and the family.

The evidence gathered by ACCA provided the Local Authority with a clearer understanding of the family's dynamics and needs. This led to the provision of additional external resources that had not previously been accessed. The intervention concluded after two weeks, with the court endorsing the decision to transition the children into a new care arrangement. This case demonstrated the value of responsive, in-home support in high-risk family situations—particularly where large sibling groups are involved—and highlighted the importance of real-time observation, relationship-building, and trauma-informed teaching in achieving meaningful outcomes.

Impact Stories



Empowering a Father Through Structured Support

In February 2025, ACCA received a referral from an LA commissioning team for a 24/7 intervention and an updated parenting assessment, following a contested report. The family unit included a father, his child, and extended family members who formed a strong support network. A court-approved risk assessment concluded positively, and 24/7 supervision commenced shortly after.

Weekly review meetings between ACCA and the Local Authority allowed for responsive planning, with supervision levels adjusted based on progress. Within five weeks, the Local Authority was confident enough to remove all supervision. The family was welcoming and receptive to guidance throughout.

Following the intervention, the Independent Social Worker completed a final parenting assessment using ACCA's daily logs and direct sessions. The outcome was positive, and it was agreed the child would remain in the full-time care of their father, with the Local Authority continuing light-touch oversight.

Supporting Complex Needs and Family Reunification

Referred in late December, this case involved a family of five, including a 5-year-old boy with severe additional needs. Following a court hearing over the holiday period, ACCA was instructed to complete a 24/7 risk assessment, which concluded positively. Planning meetings were held to ensure a thorough understanding of the child's needs, including visits to his current placement.

A one-week transition plan was implemented to familiarise the child and parents with ACCA staff and the home environment. Based on positive progress, the service transitioned into full 24/7 support. Initial challenges—including school-related incidents and parental anxieties, were addressed through collaborative review meetings and consistent support.

Over time, the child was reintegrated into full-time education, and contact with his siblings was gradually reintroduced. Observations showed the parents coping well with all three children. By late April, supervision was reduced, and the Local Authority concluded that further support was no longer proportionate. The mother shared that her other children were being transitioned back into her care, and both she and the LA expressed gratitude for ACCA's involvement.

Safeguarding Through Responsive Intervention

In December 2024, ACCA received a referral for a mother and her 6-month-old child. A free desktop risk assessment confirmed that 24/7 support was viable, and following court approval, the programme began in mid-January 2025. Weekly review meetings were held with the Local Authority and other professionals, and the mother initially engaged well with perinatal and mental health services.

Midway through the programme, the Local Authority commissioned a ParentAssess. However, ACCA staff began to observe a decline in the mother's mental health, leading to a temporary transfer of the child to a foster carer for respite. Although the child briefly returned to the mother's care, her condition deteriorated again, prompting a longer-term placement with the foster carer.

The Independent Social Worker paused the assessment, and ultimately concluded negatively due to the mother's instability. While the outcome was not as hoped, ACCA's intervention ensured the child's safety, provided clear evidence for decision-making, and supported the Local Authority in responding swiftly and ethically to changing circumstances.

Impact Stories

Stabilising a Family Through Structured Support

In February 2025, we received a referral for a mother and her two young children (aged 1 and 2) living in the family home. Previous Independent Social Work assessments had recommended rehabilitation, and the mother's partner was assessed as a protective factor. Importantly, there had already been two failed transition plans implemented by the Local Authority that were not robust enough and had therefore failed. This context underscored the need for a more structured and responsive approach.

Working closely with the Local Authority, we supported the development of a carefully tailored transition plan, revised multiple times to align with the children's routines and emotional needs. By mid-March, the plan was agreed in court and initiated with a gradual reintroduction of contact in the home. As progress was observed, this evolved into full-day and overnight stays. Following a successful two-week transition, our team implemented six weeks of 24/7 in-home support, with fortnightly review meetings and consultations with local services to ensure joined-up working. After the intensive phase, supervision was gradually reduced over three weeks, transitioning from daytime to overnight withdrawal.

The final review meeting confirmed the family was ready to move into Stage 2 of the transition plan. The Local Authority expressed their appreciation for our involvement, noting the clarity, structure, and impact of our support in helping avoid further proceedings.

Supporting Safe Reunification and Faith-Based Stability

ACCA was contacted by the Local Authority to support a pregnant mother under investigation for a non-accidental injury involving an external family member. With no prior social care involvement and four other children, the case required sensitive handling. Following the birth, the father and baby were placed in a residential setting while risk assessments were completed. The Local Authority then endorsed 24/7 in-home supervision, allowing the family to reunite under ACCA's support.

Over six months, ACCA provided consistent supervision while the parents maintained contact with their other children and remained connected to their faith community. Regular review meetings with the LA tracked progress and addressed concerns. As confidence in the parents grew, supervision was gradually reduced through a resolution model, allowing for safe, supported independence.

This intervention enabled a structured, ethical transition while safeguarding all children and strengthening family bonds.

Evidence-Based Decision Making Through 24/7 Support

Following a recommendation from a previous Independent Social Work assessment, a case involving two parents and their 11-month-old child was referred to ACCA. The court agreed that the parents should be given an opportunity to demonstrate their ability to care for their child, but concerns about home conditions required a structured risk assessment and a phased increase in contact.

The agreed four-week plan began at the end of June, starting with increased contact in a centre before transitioning into the home. Although overnight supervision was not included initially, the parents made sufficient progress for the Local Authority to escalate the intervention to full 24/7 in-home support. ACCA facilitated weekly review meetings with the LA and parents, using detailed logs to inform a concurrent reassessment.

As the assessment progressed, it became clear that while some improvements had been made, the parents required further work to meet the child's needs—work that could not be completed within the child's timescales. The Independent Social Worker concluded the assessment negatively, and it was agreed that continuing the 24/7 service would not be ethical.

Despite the outcome, the intervention provided a safe and structured environment for the child, and enabled the Local Authority to make an informed, evidence-based decision in the child's best interests. The case demonstrated the value of real-time observation, collaborative review, and professional accountability in safeguarding and planning.



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“The ACCA service has been really positive and all the staff members that have worked with me and my family have all been super helpful, kind and respectful.”

-Family Member

“The staff members have all been very helpful with any questions that I have had. I didn’t feel judged by any staff member for asking questions, and they’ve been really supportive.”

“Yes, most certainly! If you just get on with it and cooperate and take the advice, time will go by a lot quicker. I have learnt so much through the 24/7 and I truly believe I have benefited a lot from this programme and would seriously recommend it!”

-Family Member

“I note the conclusion is negative, but thank you for your assistance. It is wonderful that you offer this initial risk assessment without charge and very much appreciated.”

– MSB Solicitors

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Cost and Value

Transparent Pricing Structure

- In-home supervision services offer a clear and predictable pricing model, tailored to the intensity and duration of support required.
- Local Authorities benefit from upfront costings with no hidden fees, enabling better budget planning and financial accountability.
- As an approved provider on multiple nationwide frameworks, our services are benchmarked for quality, compliance, and value, ensuring Local Authorities can commission with confidence and ease.

Flexible and Scalable Packages

- Services can be scaled up or down depending on risk level, progress, and court timelines.
- Packages range from part-time support to full 24/7 supervision, allowing Local Authorities to respond dynamically to changing needs.
- This flexibility ensures resources are used efficiently, ethically, and in alignment with the child's best interests.

Comparison with Existing Providers

Compared to residential family assessment centres, in-home models often deliver greater value for money by:

- Reducing accommodation and relocation costs.
- Minimising disruption-related expenses (e.g. placement breakdowns, travel).
- Offering more targeted, time-bound interventions that reduce the need for extended services.

Return on Investment : Intervention vs. Proceedings Cost

- Early, intensive in-home support can prevent escalation to care proceedings, which are often lengthy and costly.
- By enabling timely, evidence-based decisions, in-home models reduce legal fees, court time, and the financial burden of long-term placements.
- Crucially, when families are supported within their own homes, there is no need for costly reintegration work, such as re-establishing routines, rebuilding community links, or transitioning children back from placements, saving both time and resources.



Why Choose Us?
Proven impact in avoiding proceedings
Flexible, scalable delivery model
Nationwide network of vetted professionals
Audit-ready, compliant, and transparent
Focused on outcomes,
not just process

Our Prices Examples

Initial Risk Assessment	From £1050 plus Travel, Mileage and VAT
Desktop Risk Assessment	Free
In Home Observations (24/7 Example)	From £4995 plus Travel, Mileage and VAT
Final 24/7 Parenting Report	From £1050 plus Travel, Mileage and VAT
Hourly Rate	£45 an hour (min 3hrs) plus Travel, Mileage and VAT
Teaching Within the Home (10 Week Example)	From £2736 plus Travel, Mileage and VAT
Final Teaching Report	£760 plus VAT
Travel	£35/hour
Mileage	45p/mile



Due Diligence

Safeguarding & Compliance

We operate under a robust safeguarding framework, with policies covering child protection, lone working, risk management, and ethical practice. All procedures are regularly reviewed to ensure full compliance with statutory guidance and commissioning standards.

Qualified & Insured Team

Our professionals are fully qualified and recruited under Safer Recruitment standards. We hold professional and public indemnity insurance, ensuring accountability and protection for all parties involved.

Secure & Vetted Workforce

All staff have enhanced DBS checks dated within the last 12 months or are registered on the update service. We are Cyber Essentials accredited, with strong data protection and information security policies in place.

Ethical Practice & Confidentiality

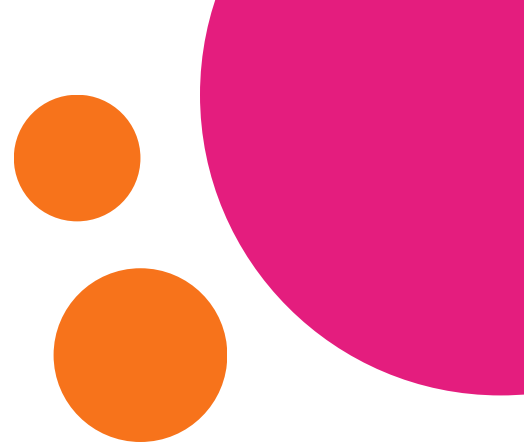
We uphold the highest standards of confidentiality and ethical conduct. Our work is guided by clear policies and a commitment to transparency, respect, and child-centred practice.

Evidence Available

Full documentation of our policies, procedures, and insurance cover is available upon request, including safeguarding, data protection, recruitment, and risk management protocols. Evidence of existing frameworks is also available upon request. These include frameworks with Children's and Families Support Services (Midlands), Hull, EROY, Bedford, Knowsley, BCP and NHS Countess of Cheshire Hospital.



Award-Winning In the Home Programme



The award-winning In the Home Programme, conducted by an Independent Social Worker (ISW) and a team of experienced Parenting Practitioners, provides continuous, community-based supervision and support within the family home. The programme aims to assess and support parents in their natural environment, offering a viable and protective alternative to traditional residential or parent/child foster placements. Supervision can start from a minimum of 4 hours a session.

Our In the Home Programme is designed with your needs in mind. It's fully flexible, allowing you to choose the duration and frequency of contact that works best for your family. Some families may require around-the-clock support and supervision for professionals to develop a comprehensive understanding of family life, but we understand that's not the case for everyone! Our programme is a game-changer in the field of supervision, significantly reducing the likelihood of placement moves and enhancing the quality of evidence required in court. We're here to support you and your family every step of the way.

Crucially, it helps us understand how risk presents in real-life contexts and informs the development of practical, on-the-ground mitigation strategies. By working alongside families in their environment, we can address concerns as they arise and model safe, sustainable routines. Throughout the intervention, we also focus on building a strong support network, including extended family, community links, and professional partnerships, to ensure that positive change is maintained long after our involvement ends.

The families we work with also benefit from our complimentary Snap Analysis, which focuses on determining a parent's strengths and weaknesses. Our analysis provides further evidence, detail, and observations, as well as opportunities for learning and reflection.

Programme Structure



Suitability/ Risk Assessment

- Conducted by an ISW.
- Determines if the programme is suitable for the family.

Possible Outcomes

- Suitable for the full programme.
- Not suitable for the full programme at present, start with observation in the community.
- Not suitable for the programme, recommendations provided.

Custom In the Home Programme

- Continuous observation and support by Parenting Practitioners.
- Daily logs and detailed assessments to inform future planning and interventions.
- Complimentary Snap Analysis Programme and opportunity to utilise the TOP Teaching Programme.



What Makes the us Unique?

Real Life, Real Time

Parenting doesn't happen in a controlled environment, and neither should parenting assessments. Our model allows Parenting Practitioners to observe, guide, and assess families in the context of their day-to-day lives. This means professionals gain a fuller, more authentic understanding of how parents respond to routines, challenges, and their children's needs in real-time.

Faster, Clearer Decision-Making

The goal is not to "keep families together at any cost." It's to generate robust, credible evidence quickly. Whether that evidence supports rehabilitation or a move to alternative care, our assessments provide the clarity decision-makers need to act in the child's best interests and within their timescales.

Why It Matters

Every week spent in uncertainty can have lifelong implications for a child. This service enables early identification of parenting capacity, or lack thereof, while prioritising the child's safety and development at every stage.

More Than Observation

This is not a passive model. It combines continuous supervision with hands-on teaching, safeguarding, and psychological input where needed. Parents receive immediate feedback and guidance, while professionals collect high-quality evidence that reflects not only what happens, but how and why.

Safer Than You Think

Residential units are often seen as the safer route. But our in-home model delivers comparable, and often enhanced, levels of safety and oversight. With clear safeguarding plans, close collaboration with local authority teams, and daily recording and risk review, this service is built on professional accountability and continuous risk management.

SNAP Analysis



Empowering Families Through the SNAP Programme

Our SNAP Programme is designed to equip parents with the skills and confidence to care for their children independently. Presented in an accessible, easy-to-read format, it offers a personalised approach that builds on existing strengths while addressing areas where additional support may be needed.

Delivered by our team of experienced Parenting Practitioners, the programme provides valuable insight into each family's unique circumstances. This understanding can inform our TOP Teaching Programme and contribute to formal assessment recommendations, supporting joined-up planning and decision-making.

Tailored Teaching and Support

The SNAP Programme offers a **customised package of support**, shaped by:

- Recommendations from an Independent Social Work Assessment, or
- Guidance from a Local Authority Social Worker who understands the family's specific strengths and areas for development

This flexible approach ensures that support is relevant, targeted, and impactful, helping families move forward with greater confidence and capability.

The 15 Sessions include:

- Child and Parent Health
- Child's Diet and Cooking Skills
- Child's Home
- Social Presentation and Self-Care Skills
- Child's Protection
- Hygiene
- Child Behaviours
- Child's Play
- Support Network
- Child's Family and Social Network
- Child Development
- Child's Home
- Routine
- Managing Money
- Child's Identity and Attachment

Teaching, Observations, Practice

Tailored Support for Confident Parenting: The TOP Programme

Our bespoke TOP Programme offers direct, in-home support to parents, helping them build the skills and confidence needed to care for their children independently. Delivered either as part of our award-winning In the Home Programme or as a standalone service, it aims to reduce family separation by empowering parents to better meet their children's needs.

We provide truly personalised support, using engaging, accessible methods tailored to different learning styles. Our experienced practitioners bring empathy and professionalism to every visit, ensuring families feel understood, respected, and supported. Above all, we focus on long-term impact — helping to break negative cycles and foster healthier family relationships.

Who Can Benefit?

- New or inexperienced parents – building confidence and practical skills
- Parents with learning difficulties – using accessible, strength-based approaches
- Parents with negative early life experiences – helping to break harmful patterns

How We Help

- Pictorial aids – making learning clearer and more visual
- Videos – showcasing real examples of positive parenting
- Role modelling – practitioners demonstrating effective techniques
- Written guides – for easy reference and reinforcement

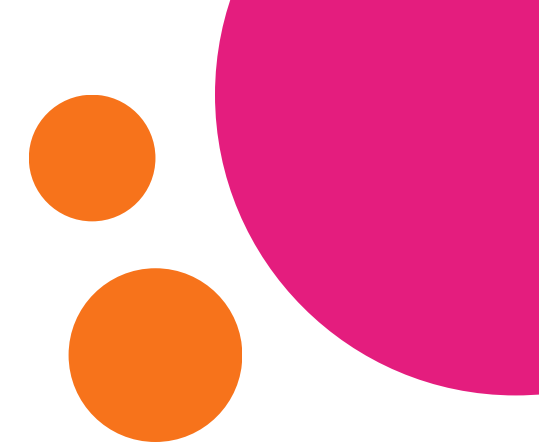
Promoting Effective and Consistent Parenting

Our Family Support Workers carry out guided observations to assess how parents apply what they've learned in everyday life. Progress is reviewed regularly and summarised in evidence-based reports, supporting Local Authorities and the Court to make informed decisions.

Building Strong Relationships

Each family is assigned a dedicated Family Support Worker, creating stability and trust. This relationship is key to helping parents develop lasting, positive parenting strategies and break cycles of generational intervention.

Family Time Supervision



The Role of Family Time in Reunification Planning

For most looked-after children, professional intervention from the outset is focused on reuniting them with their family, where it is assessed to be in their best interests.

Family Time plays a vital role in the care planning process by:

- Sustaining and developing positive relationships between the child and non-resident family members
- Alleviating the distress experienced by the child following separation
- Supporting identity formation and life story work, helping the child understand their origins and personal history

Family Time is often supported or supervised by a professional to ensure it is safe and beneficial.

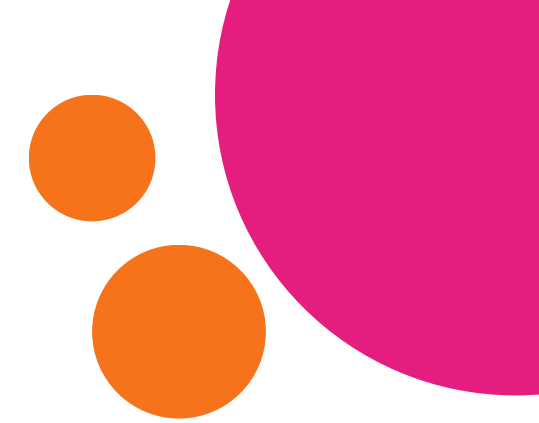
Supervised Family Time

Supervised Family Time is implemented when there is a concern that a child has experienced or is at risk of experiencing harm during contact. It is designed to ensure the physical safety and emotional well-being of the child.

In addition, Supervised Family Time:

- Enables observation and assessment of the relationship between the child and non-resident family members
- Supports the safe reintroduction of estranged family members
- Provides feedback and guidance to parents, helping them better meet their child's needs

Outreach



Responsive Support Through Our Outreach Service

Delivered by our team of experienced Parenting Practitioners, ACCA's Outreach Service provides targeted support and supervision for families where identified risks require additional safeguards. This flexible, responsive service is designed to meet a wide range of needs, offering practical assistance and professional oversight in both hospital and home settings.

Typical Situations Include:

- A new, young, or inexperienced parent whose ability to meet their child's needs is unknown following birth, and where potential risks have been identified
- A parent with learning difficulties requiring intensive support immediately after birth
- A parent with a history of child removal due to safeguarding concerns
- A parent with physical challenges and a temporarily unavailable support network
- Families experiencing a temporary crisis or elevated risk
- A parent struggling to cope alone with the care of their child(ren)
- Postnatal situations where known risks exist and the long-term care plan is yet to be determined

By providing professional oversight in the hospital or home, our practitioners offer valuable insight into the family's circumstances. This approach not only enhances child safety but also enables the delivery of targeted, meaningful support, helping to reduce the risk of separation.

While there are circumstances where removal is necessary due to unmanageable risks, our Outreach Service ensures that parents are supported to make the most of their time with their child(ren). This compassionate approach helps to minimise trauma for the child and preserve the dignity of the family during difficult transitions.



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