

Child information sharing pathway



Ask children and/or adults about other services they are engaged with

Talk to them about your obligation to share information under the scheme

Identify needs and risks and any child wellbeing and/or safety issues using professional practice frameworks

Consider the child's social, cultural and individual identity and circumstances

To identify, assess and manage family violence risk, use the MARAM* Framework and the Family Violence Information Sharing Scheme

Form a belief that sharing may help to:

- > Make a decision, assessment or plan
- > Initiate or conduct an investigation
- > Provide a service
- > Manage a risk to a child or group of children

Identify other services it would be useful to share information with or request information from. Confirm that they are a prescribed information sharing entity**

Consider whether sharing or requesting information could support a child's wellbeing and/or safety**

* Multi-Agency Risk Assessment and Management

Seek and take into account the views of the child and relevant family members if it is appropriate, safe and reasonable to do so

Consider whether the information is excluded under the scheme or another law

Share or request relevant information in a safe and secure way

If family violence risk is present, share according to a relevant safety plan

Inform individuals about how their information has been shared if it is appropriate, safe and reasonable to do so

** Consider whether information can be shared under other permissions.

As needs and risks change over time, continue to use this process to request or share information

Follow up with the other services and continue to work collaboratively with them

Keep accurate and complete records

This pathway is designed to assist authorised information sharing entities and should be read in conjunction with the binding *Child Information Sharing Scheme Ministerial Guidelines* available at www.infosharing.vic.gov.au

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