

Bury Social Care Transitions Process

At 18 a young person transfers from a Children's Services to Adult Social Care Services if they meet the Fair Access to Care Services (FACS) Criteria of Substantial or Critical needs. This involves them transferring from being allocated to a Children's Social Worker to an Adults Social Worker and the funding of their care package to be transferred from Children's Services budget to Adults Services budget. However if the young person is in full time education their education provision continues to be funded by Children's Services SEN team until they are 19. There is on occasion also some funding from health that is agreed to continue after their 18th birthday. This would be either through the Complex Care Team or if they met the criteria for Continuing Health Care Funding. Also if the young person was categorised as a Looked After Child (LAC) then The Extra Mile Team will continue to provide support until their 21st birthday (or can be up to their 25th birthday if the young person is in full time education).

Age of Young Person

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Young Person turns 14 years of age

If Childrens Social Worker feels that the young person will be requiring further support from Adult Care Services once they turn 18, they should send a Transitions Form to Transitions Database Administrator within 4 weeks after their birthday
NOTE: If the young person has an allocated Social Worker, the SW should attend the Year 9 review at the School

Note: If the case is closed at any time after this – the Social Worker must inform the Transitions Database Administrator so they can be closed on the database

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Young Person turns 16 years of age

Childrens Social Worker sends information about the cost of the young person's annual funding package (and which budget this is paid from; including all funding contributors e.g. health, education etc.) to the Transitions Database Administrator within 4 weeks after their birthday.

Childrens Social Worker sends parents The Fairer Charging Policy Booklet and explains the Adult Care Charging Policy. This is recorded on the young persons electronic record

If the support package is complex and/or high cost, Adult Services may become involved in the negotiations of funding and support package planning (this would happen at the Complex Care Panel – Childrens Social Worker to send cases to Complex Care Panel asap once young person reaches 16)

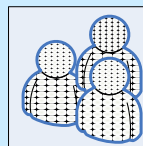
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Young Person turns 17 years of age

Childrens Social Worker sends updated Transitions Form to Transitions Database Administrator within 4 weeks after their birthday

Adult Services Transitions Social Worker is notified by the Transitions Database Administrator on the young persons birthday

Adult Services Transitions Worker will arrange meeting with Childrens Social Worker, within 4 weeks of receiving the form to discuss the case in detail (including clarifying whether they both feel the young person meets FACS) and will attend any future planned meetings



Social Care Transitions Planning Meeting (within 10 weeks after 17th birthday)

Meeting arranged by Children's Social Worker to discuss the case
(Childrens Social Worker chairs meeting, takes minutes and ensures an action plan is completed)

Attendees: Transitions Worker, Childrens SW, the Young Person, the family/carers and any other services working with the young person

Adult Care Transitions Worker and Childrens Social Worker completes a My Adult Care Assessment with the YP to ascertain their needs and formally assess to see if they meet the FACS criteria

Critical/Substantial Needs

Low/Moderate Needs

Transition Planning would define the joint management of the case by Children's and Adult's and they would work on the agreed actions until the young person's 18th birthday. (Including getting funding of package agreed at the complex care panel)

Transition Planning would define the work to be carried out until the young person's 18th birthday. Details would be given of onward referrals to community services.

Joint Initial Review with Children's Social Worker and Social Care Transitions Worker within 12 weeks of the service being in place.

Parents/Carers/Customer can request a review of this decision if they do not agree with it

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Young Person turns 18 years of age

Young Person allocated to Adult Services Social Worker (within 0-3 months after young person turns 18). Transitions Workers ensures case is handed over to Adult Services Social Worker and closed to them

All Social Care support ceases

Contact numbers

The Transitions Database Administrator is currently Jodie Storr j.storr@bury.gov.uk 0161 253 7704
The Adult Social Care Transitions Worker is currently Sue Smith s2.smith@bury.gov.uk 0161 762 3253
Current Adult Services Operational Management responsibility is Dan Driver daniel.driver@bury.gov.uk 0161 762 3260