

**Joint health and Social Care IHA/RHA
Statutory health assessment timeline**

(This timeline is for all children in care originating from Nottingham and Nottinghamshire including those on remand, in short breaks and placed out of area – we have minimal influence over the referrals/processes from external local authorities/health providers – refer to local OLAC offer).

Working days																				20 day Looked After Review meeting (LAR)	3 month Looked After Review meeting (LAR)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20		
<p>5 days has been allocated however social care should aim to refer on day 1 if possible and by day 3 as maximum, giving the medical providers a realistic timeframe to complete the health assessment</p>					<p><i>(Refer to Decliner Pathway)</i></p>															<p>Local Authority IRO to escalate internally to the SW and team manager if no IHA appointment has been arranged by the first LAR meeting.</p> <p>If appointment has been arranged but not undertaken SW liaison with GP and appropriate health professionals prior to LAR is required.</p> <p>If the IHA appointment is complete but no report available appropriate communication between the SW and the children in care Medical team prior to the LAR is required.</p> <p><i>(Refer to LAR SOP)</i></p>	<p>If no IHA completed therefore no report available LA IRO to escalate to relevant case holding Service Manager & relevant Designated Nurse for LAC (CCG) for discussion.</p> <p>If the IHA appointment is complete but no report available appropriate communication between the SW and the children in care Medical team prior to the LAR is required.</p> <p><i>(Refer to LAR SOP)</i></p>
<p>IHA referral shared with relevant children in care Medical admin team (including correct consent and essential information)</p>					<p>The local authority will ensure the SW/Carers support with engagement and communication. The medical providers will then coordinate the completion of the assessment and ensure a written report is within this timeframe.</p> <p>Report shared with Social Care and other relevant professionals.</p>																

Timeline continued...

8 weeks prior to RHA	6 weeks prior to RHA	4 weeks or less prior to RHA		RHA due date	LAR meeting
<p>Social care requesting the RHA 8 weeks prior to the RHA due date (measured from the time of IHA appointment) gives the Children in care nursing providers a realistic timeframe for completing the health assessment.</p>			<p><i>(Refer to Decliner Pathway)</i></p>		<p>If no in date RHA completed therefore no up to date report available LA IRO to escalate to relevant Service Manager & relevant Designated Nurse for LAC (CCG) for discussion.</p>
<p>RHA referral shared with CIC Nursing admin Team (including correct consent and essential information)</p>	<p>If the referral has not been received 6 weeks prior to the RHA being due the CIC nursing team admin will request it.</p>	<p>If referrals are received with less than 4 weeks' notice or the CIC nursing team admin have to request an RHA this will be escalated by the CIC nursing team to the relevant Designated Nurse for LAC.</p>	<p>The local authority will ensure the SW/Carers support appointments and assessments with engagement and communication. The CIC nursing team will then coordinate the completion of the assessment and ensure a written report is available within this timeframe.</p> <p>The report will be shared with Social Care and other relevant professionals.</p>		<p>If the RHA appointment is complete but no report available appropriate communication between the SW and the Children in care nursing team prior to the LAR is required.</p> <p><i>(Refer to LAR SOP)</i></p>

Other Pathways to be referred to Multi Agency Standardised Practice for statutory looked after review meetings (health), Young People In Care Who Decline Statutory Health Assessments and Statutory Health Offer for Looked After Children placed in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire CCG