

## HVS Offer for P-lac / YP

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### Flightpath Departure – Care Discharge

HVS informed by CICCL of care departure

Relevant literature disseminated:

P-lac guidance  
 P-lac PEP form  
 P-lac funding guide  
 Sharing of important contacts eg TFA, Coram,

Useful website dissemination  
 FAQ



### 3 Month Progress Check In

Parent / Carer to contact HVS if they required:  
 Is any educational support required?  
 Distribution of local directory of services (if required)  
 Direction to relevant future training  
 Escalate case to social care / previous SW if required



### 12 Month Flight Arrival

Final review of post looked after educational support (guidance if required or sought by parents / carers)  
 Recap of important contacts: resources / websites  
 Signpost to teams within local directory of services / Escalate to social care / previous SW if required  
 Recap of role and support provided by HVS



### Jargon Buster:

HVS – Halton Virtual School  
 P-lac – Previously Looked After Children  
 YP – Young People

### 6 Month Status Update

Parent / Carer to contact HVS if they required:  
 Has P-lac funding been applied for (if relevant)?  
 Signposting to Locality / Mental Health Team (if needed)  
 Further training needs / upcoming courses / key contacts  
 Escalate to social care / previous SW if required

Please note \* P-lac funding must be applied for (by school) during the October school census. Evidence eg court order of p-lac status may need to be supplied.

Incidental, continuous background support:  
 Informal P-lac coffee morning 'surgery' every 2 months (informal discussion where parents / carers can bring any questions or issues to the forum).  
 Training offer from Halton, 5 Boroughs partnership and TFA regularly updated

The above flow chart shows the structured pathway of support on offer for all parents / carers of children who were 'previously looked after'.

It is intended that on local authority care discharge, the allocated professional will disseminate this document containing the contact details of the education officer for children previously looked after. If parents and carers consent to the process, they can follow the stages in the chart and contact the Virtual School at the stated timelines (or whenever they feel they need to) to obtain educational guidance, support, advice and signposting. To reiterate, the above marks a neat transition of time and support until one year after care discharge. However, the Virtual School would welcome parents and carers reaching out whenever they feel they need support.

Additional layers of support that form part of the 'children / young people previously looked after' offer include:

A dedicated 'previously looked after' parents / carers coffee morning every two months to be utilised as a forum and educational 'surgery'.

Specific bespoke training pertaining to all matters related with adoption / special guardianship hosted by Halton in conjunction with our four geographically closest partner boroughs.

Support in educational meetings hosted by schools such as MAP meetings and EHCP reviews.

Further (Halton only) training and events for parents and carers.

As the post looked after education offer is principally an advice and guidance remit, it will not be possible or pertinent to individually contact the parents and carers of children who fall into the 'post looked after' category.

Therefore it is incumbent upon the parents and carers of children to 'check in' with the post looked after education officer should they require any support, advice, guidance or signposting. Contact details are on the previous document.