

Team around the family meeting (TAF)



What?

A Team Around the Family (TAF) meeting is a way of working out what extra support may best help your family needs, and to work out who needs to put the support in place

Why?

After the needs of your family have been identified by you or a professional, it is important for right support to be put in place by the right people, at the right time to make sure of the best outcomes for you and your family

Who?

Once you have agreed for a TAF to be held, the lead practitioner will speak with you about who you would like to invite. This could be friends and family as well as professionals such as a health visitor, teacher or housing officer

Where & when?

Because this meeting is about you and your family, you can have your say around where and when the TAF meeting is held. It can take place in your home, your child's school, virtually or in another venue you feel comfortable in, at a time which best suits you and your family

The lead professional will complete the paperwork during the TAF to ensure all views are captured. As this is your TAF, it is important that you understand everything that has been discussed and are clear on any actions required. Professionals involved in the TAF meeting will need to gather information from you, and others attending the meeting, so everyone understands what your family needs.

A very important part of the meeting is for everyone to have open and honest discussions. Some families may find these conversations uncomfortable or challenging, however the aim is to ensure you, and your family get the right support at the right time. You will be supported in this meeting to ensure your views are heard and understood.

After the TAF

Another TAF may be arranged to make sure all the actions have been completed and this has supported the needs of your family
An Early Help Assessment may be completed using the information from the TAF meeting
You may make a decision with the professionals that there is no need for another meeting as with the agreed support in place your family's needs will be met



The following website could be useful to you – please take some time to visit and contact the appropriate service that would meet your family's needs



www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20643/the_family_hub

Worcestershire Virtual Family Hub,
support directory offering advice, guidance and details of Early Help support agencies

Scan the QR code below with your phone to take you directly to the website

