

Menu of Services at the Edge of Care Panel

This paper sets out to clarify which services are available from Edge of Care Panel, the criteria for each service, and each service's specialism. There are 5 main services on offer

1. Edge of Care Hub
2. Targeted Support Team
3. MST Standard
4. MST CAN
5. Safe Families for Children (SFFC)

Other services that are potentially available at Edge of Care Panel include

6. Targeted Youth Support
7. FIP

Edge of Care Hub	
Edge of Care Hub Criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On, or near the edge of care • Multiple complex issues • 0-18 • Meets priority families criteria • Newly born children at CiN or CP • Pregnant mum's with chaotic lifestyles
What Edge of Care Hub Does	The Edge of Care Hub provides intensive and assertive community based support to children and families that are on the edge of care and may also be subject to CP Plans. The team work on a family's capacity to change; focusing intervention on parental motivation, rules and boundaries, emotional warmth, stimulation of child, parental ability to protect, DV, substance misuse, poor parental mental health, and environmental factors such as poor living conditions and hygiene. Work with children and their families from birth until 18.
Speciality	Edge of Care Hub's speciality is new or expecting parents, large sibling groups and families that present with multiple

	complex issues. The Edge of Care Hub can also provide emergency weekend support.
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Targeted Support Team	
Targeted Support Team Criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8-18 • Placements at breaking point (including CiC's) • Transitional support (including CiC's)
What the Targeted Support Team does	The Targeted Support Team provides emergency support alongside intensive outreach support to young people and their families. This is a brief intervention (6-12 weeks) grounded in Solution Focused Brief Therapy. The Targeted Support Team work with young people and their families to co-produce danger statements and safety goals. The work focuses the family on achieving this safety goal, and addresses the danger statement. The Targeted Support Team work on prevention of family breakdown and diversion from care, supporting transition from residential or fostering to home, stability in placement, and family group meetings/network meetings.
Speciality	Targeted Support's speciality is providing stability in placement, at home or in care, and rebuilding relationships between young people and their carers. The Targeted Support Team can also provide emergency support between 8am and 8pm on weekdays and between 9am and 5pm on weekends

MST Standard	
MST Standard Criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11-18 • Behavioural difficulties in multiple ecologies • Referral behaviours such as aggression, substance misuse, non-school attendance • Meets priority families criteria
What MST Standard does	MST is an intensive, community based treatment programme that works with the primary care giver. The intention is to address issues in multiple environmental systems and ecologies such as home, school, neighbourhood and peer

	group. The work identifies drivers behind the issues the family is experiencing and sets goals in accordance with them.
Speciality	Working with the care giver to improve a care giver's parenting skills where there is one problematic parent child relationship. MST Standard also offer 24/7 on call support for families

MST CAN	
MST CAN Criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6-17 • Child/ren on edge of care due to child abuse or neglect. Exclusion to this is where the primary risk factor is child sexual abuse and this form of abuse is ongoing. • There has been a child abuse/neglect incident/episode within the last 180 days • Sibling group of 3 or more • Behavioural difficulties in multiple ecologies • Referral behaviours such as aggression, substance misuse, non-school attendance
What MST CAN does	<p>MST CAN is an intensive intervention for families who have recently been reported to Child Protection Services for physically abusing or neglecting children. The intervention aims to improve parenting by identifying strengths within various ecologies to overcome risk factors that contribute to the maltreatment. (e.g. drug misuse)</p> <p>The aim of this work is to reduce the risk, making it safe for the children to remain in the family home. This avoids the need to bring them into care which can lead to placements outside of their local community resulting in the child experiencing a number of significant moves and changes in relation to schooling/community/care givers.</p>
Speciality	Working with the care giver to improve their parenting skills, and preventing maltreatment, abuse and neglect. MST CAN also offers 24/7 on call support for families

SFFC	
SFFC Criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least one child/sibling under 12 years of age but can be extended in certain circumstances • Child/ren with extensive needs or CIN • Now includes child protection cases/children deemed to be at risk of abuse or neglect • Do not work with families where DV or violence is present
What is SFFC and what do they do	<p>Safe Families for Children (SFFC) is a Christian charity working hand-in-hand with children's services to link families in need with local volunteers who can offer them help and support. Safe Families for Children believes that parents are central to providing long-term safe environments for their children and seeks to reduce the number of children who need to go into short term care due to lack of other family/friend alternatives. With this aim, SFFC provides Family Friends, Host Families and Resource Friends to help while parents seek to restore stability in their lives.</p>
Speciality	<p>Family Friends to support the parents and Hosting arrangements /support</p>

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