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Working with UASC – The process

Please refer to the UASC Policy and Procedure

On Arrival

Referral made to Children's Service Centre – By Immigration, Via Operation Innerste, or Solicitor regarding an Age dispute. Referred to area teams or EDT for assessment.

Area Teams/EDT – provisionally arrange placement or supported accommodation before leaving

Within 24hrs

Age Assessment and Port Reference – On arrival workers attend the police station or arranges for young person to attend office to complete an age assessment.
'UK Visas and Immigration' will issue each young person with a Port Reference number on arrival.
In addition SW to complete **Age Assessment information Sharing Proforma: UASC – 08** and send together with a copy of the Age Assessment to the dedicated LCC Officer

Assessed as under sixteen and accommodated under S20 in Foster Care.
Under 16's are placed in Foster Placements via the FP Duty Desk.
Issue letter: UASC-01 or UASC-02

Assessed as over eighteen – Not eligible for support through Children's Services.
Issue letter: UASC-01 or UASC-04

Assessed as over sixteen and becomes CiC under S20, placed in supported accommodation.
Issue letter: UASC-01

Within 7 Days

7 Day visit and Child & Family Assessment initiated

Screening Interview arranged with area immigration

Within 1 Month

In accordance wth S20 Guidance: Care Plan, Placement Plan, Risk Assessment, CiC Review, ePep and Health Assessment – 20 days

Screening Interview - Initial application for asylum, at this interview the UASC will be issued with a Self Evidence Form (SEF) to be completed by a Solicitor

Solicitor's appointment arranged

In accordance wth S20 Guidance: Care Plan, Placement Plan, Risk Assessment, CiC Review, ePep and Health Assessment – 20 days

2 Months

Child & Family Assessment Completed

First Reporting Event – Not necessary to attend.
Assigned a caseworker at Solihull. All information can be shared by telephone.

Self Evidence Form – This is completed with a Solicitor and is the formal application for Asylum.
The form usually has to be submitted to the Home Office within 28 days of Screening Interview

3 Months

CiC Service Invited to the 3 Month CiC Review

Newly Arrived Minor Interview – Must be attended.
Conducted at Solihull by the young person's caseworker to inform Asylum claim decision.
Young person to attend with his/her solicitor and Social Worker, Foster Carer or Keyworker for Support.

CiC Service Invited to the 3 Month CiC Review

4 Months +

3 Month CiC Review and Transfer to CiC/ Transitional SW

Status Issued – The claim for Asylum is determined and relevant leave is issued. (NB some young people do not have their case determined before Eighteen. Please refer to NASS 1

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