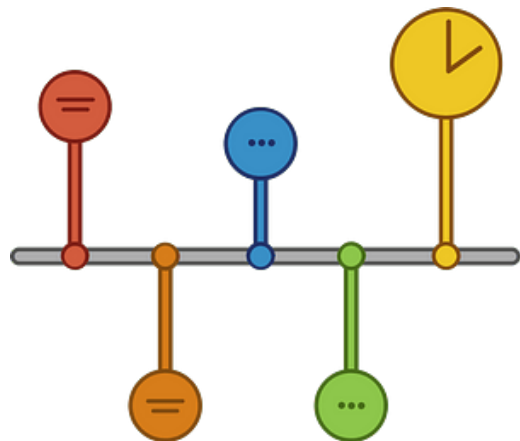
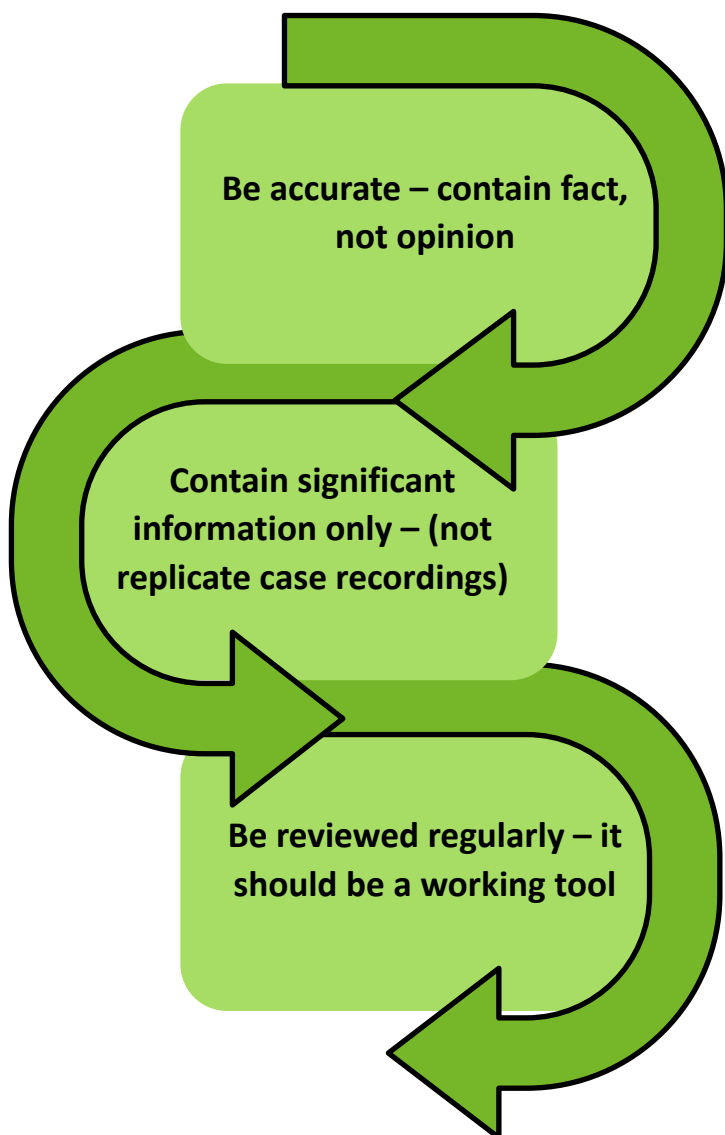


Impact chronologies or timelines of involvement

An effective chronology or timeline of involvement can be used by practitioners as a tool when working with children and families. They enable practitioners to identify patterns of risk, harm, and protective factors and how they have occurred over time. They also help plan next steps for assessment and intervention.



Some examples of what should be included:

- Referrals, assessments, and intervention both current and historic
- Incidents where a child has suffered harm or is at risk of harm
- Changes in family structure
- Changes in where a child lives
- Any significant care giver factors (domestic abuse, substance misuse, parental mental health)
- Health information such as child's health issues, non-attendance at appointments, attendance at A&E
- Changes at school, absences, exclusions
- Child goes missing from home

IMPORTANT: A chronology/ timeline that is not up to date, reviewed and analysed serves little purpose.