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Guidance

Supporting Families Programme guidance 2022 to 2025

This guidance sets out the objectives of Supporting Families in 2022 to 2025 and is for local authorities and their partners delivering Supporting Families.

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This guidance sets out the objectives of Supporting Families in 2022 to

2025. It also provides a guide for local authorities and their partners delivering Supporting Families.

It is made up of 6 chapters and 2 annexes and whilst each covers a different element of Supporting Families each chapter should not be taken in isolation but read as a whole. This guidance comes into effect from 1 April 2022 and covers the period up to and including March 2025

Chapter 1: Introduction and objectives

This chapter provides a summary of Supporting Families objectives including the continued focus on providing support for vulnerable families and driving wider reforms in the way public services are delivered.

Chapter 2: Delivering Supporting Families

This chapter sets out the key commitments local authorities must sign up to as part of Supporting Families. It also details the key delivery mechanisms for these commitments. This includes:

- The outcomes that must be achieved with families before a results payment can be claimed
- The purpose for which upfront funding is provided, including investment in data and system transformation

Detail is also provided regarding the commitments that are made by the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities to local authorities delivering Supporting Families.

Chapter 3: The National Supporting Families Outcome Framework

This chapter provides detailed information about the new, national outcomes framework including the timeline which local authorities must follow when implementing the new framework.

Guidance is also provided on each of the ten headline outcomes, this has been agreed by the relevant government departments

Chapter 4: Identifying and working with Families

Whilst all families who require support will benefit from the Supporting Families approach there are some specific requirements regarding the payment of funding for successful outcomes. This chapter provides details regarding how to identify and work with families where a result payment will be claimed for successful family outcomes achieved.

Chapter 5: Evidencing outcomes

When a successful family outcome is achieved local authorities may make a claim for payment by results funding. This chapter details the evidence that is required to make a claim for a successful family outcome.

Chapter 6: Checks and balances

This chapter sets out the risk based approach to assurance visits in 2021-22 and the audit requirements of Supporting Families.

Annex A: The Supporting Families Outcome Framework

The National Supporting Families Outcome Framework in full

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