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Background

Within the SEND Quality Assurance process, an EHC plan audit is carried out bi-monthly. The theme for cycle 10 was CFWS/social care advice. 8 audits were completed and rated using: Outstanding, Good, Requires Improvement and Inadequate. Each question has a rating and an overall CFWS/social care advice judgement and an overall EHC plan judgement (for the whole of the EHC plan).

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Judgement on social care advice

Outstanding	0
Good	0
Requires Improvement	4
Inadequate	4



Overall judgement on the EHC plan

Outstanding	0
Good	0
Requires Improvement	4
Inadequate	4



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Working well?

- Two audits judged voice of the child as good – voice was evident throughout the advice provided.
- One audit described the needs of the child well.

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Where do we need to improve?

- Advice does not take the SEN educational needs of the child and consider how these impacts on daily life – in the home and in the community.
- Diagnoses are included but do not develop the information further in how these impact on daily living and access to the community.

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Where do we need to improve?

- Advice provided should consider the behaviours which impact on education and what may be experienced in the home and out in the community.
- Needs tend to be written as a description.



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What happens next?

The Designated Social Care Officer will support staff across CFWS and social care by providing updated guidance together with case studies to illustrate what is required from staff to be considered within the EHCP. To enable a more detailed action plan, a survey will be conducted with staff to understand their needs when completing advice.

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Where do we need to improve?

- Reference to other professionals provision – how are social care staff supporting the child/family?
- Provision is included within the outcomes section, meaning that the EHC plan is non-compliant.
- Where outcomes are included, these are too broad and have not been made SMART.

