

# Team Around the Child in Lincolnshire

## A Guide for Parents and Families

### Useful Information

**EHA (Early Help Assessment)** - This is a process used to discuss your child's needs and what support you want for them.

**TAC (Team Around the Child)** - A group of people, including you and your child, who work together to support your child.

**LP (Lead Professional)** - The person who is your main contact, coordinating the support and offering further advice.

**Information about your family will not be shared without you agreeing to this, unless there is a safeguarding concern.**

### Where can I find further information?

You can access all information and paperwork within the TAC process via the TAC Microsite [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/TAC](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/TAC)

If you are worried and you feel a child is at risk of harm, please telephone **01522 782111**

For further Safeguarding information, please access the Lincolnshire Safeguarding Board via their website [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/lscb](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/lscb)

For further information around services supporting families in Lincolnshire [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/fsd](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/fsd)



**The TAC process helped in getting the right support. It has helped us to deal with things differently.**

**I felt listened to. (Parents & Families)**



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# The TAC Journey

## What is Team Around the Child?

Team Around the Child (TAC) offers Early Help and support for children as soon as we have a worry about them. TAC is how different people and services work together to help children and their families at any point in their lives to prevent or reduce difficulties before they become too difficult.

## Is my child the right age for TAC?

Yes, TAC supports children and young people before they are born until their 19th birthday. Young people with additional needs can continue to receive TAC support up to 25 years old.

## Who will do this work with my family?

You choose who you would like to be the Lead Professional, they will support you and your child through the TAC. The Lead Professional will be someone who works with children and knows your child. They may remain the same person or change if your situation changes. Together, you and the Lead Professional, invite professionals you would like to support your family in TAC.

## What questions will I be asked?

The Lead Professional will talk to you about what you and your child are worried about. They will also talk about who is in your child's life that makes things a bit easier. Together you will talk about what needs to happen to lessen these worries and where to start. Your child will play an active part in this and will share how things feel to them and when things begin to feel better.

## How long will the TAC stay open?

The TAC will stay open while it is making a positive difference for your child.

## Can I bring someone with me?

Absolutely, ideally someone who knows your child well. This may be family and friends.

