Family Start





Date:	Referred By:	
Agency/Service:		
Phone:	Email:	
Consent from Family* (tick one): Yes [
Parent/Caregiver's Details		
Name:	DOB:	
Address:	Email:	
Phone:	Mobile:	
Ethnicity/Iwi Affiliation:	First Language:	
Relationship to Baby:		
NHI: O	ther Services Involved:	
Baby's Details		
Name:	DOB/Due Date:	
Ethnicity/Iwi Affiliation:	Male Female	
NHI:		
Emergency Contact		
Name:		
Phone/Mobile:	Relationship:	

Please forward either by email to FamilyStartNorthOtago@FamilyCare.org.nz, or by mail to:

Sue Dundass Family Start Anglican Family Care 23 Coquet Street Oamaru 9400

Please feel free to phone or email to discuss this referral with us further: Phone: 0800 FAM CARE or (03) 471 8892 Fax: (03) 477 0888 Email: FamilyStartNorthOtago@FamilyCare.org.nz

Reasons for Referral:

Family Start Criteria

✓	List A – Criteria and Clarification	Please Comment
	Mental health issues	
	Either parent/caregiver has one or more mental health problems, for example:	
	Post-natal depression	
	Anxiety	
	Depression	
	Self-harm or suicidal tendencies	
	Other (specify)	
	Addiction problems	
	Either parent/caregiver has a problem with one of the following:	
	Alcohol use	
	Illicit drug use	
	Gambling	
	Excessive gaming	
	Other (specify)	
	Childhood history of abuse	
	Either parent/caregiver experienced abuse/neglect/family violence as a child or young person	
	Care or protection history	
	Oranga Tamariki is currently working with, or has previously been involved with, this family/whānau	
	One or more children have been removed from the family/whānau following concerns for their care and protection. This includes formal court-ordered removal and informal removal arranged by family/whānau.	
	Relationship problems	
	Evidence of relationship problems, including:	
	Family/whānau violence, including emotional abuse and control	
	On-going conflict and tension that impacts on parenting	
	Multiple partner changes or significant instability within the family/whānau	
	Parenting, child health and development issues	
	Bonding and attachment issues – parents/caregivers struggling to build a connection with their baby/child	
	Child with disabilities or significant health needs, including premature babies	
	Parents/caregivers/child's sibling has a disability or impairment and needs support	
	Parents/caregivers struggling to establish successful feeding and care routines	
	Recurring health issues - parents/caregivers struggling with recognising or meeting child's needs	
	Foetal abnormalities	
	Little or no antenatal or postnatal care	
	Young parents (under 18 years of age) who are experiencing additional challenges or needs	
	Young parent who also meets other referral criteria from List A or B	

✓ List B – Additional indicators/factors	Please Comment
Sudden Unexplained Death in Infancy (SUDI) indicators	
☐ Mother smoked while she was pregnant	
Baby has not been breastfed, or has only been breastfed for a short period	
☐ Baby was of low birth weight, i.e. less than 2500 grams	
☐ Baby was premature, i.e. less than 33 weeks' gestation	
☐ Baby was, or is, exposed to second-hand smoke	
☐ History of premature birth	
Safe sleeping issues	
☐ Multiple births or short inter-pregnancy intervals	
Lack of positive support networks	
Disconnected from family/whānau, lack a sense of cultural belonging	
Only reference group are unsupportive or high needs themselves	
☐ Isolated from or new to community – Migrant, refugee, seasonal workers	
☐ Difficulty accessing services	
Criminal justice involvement	
Police involvement, charges pending or previous convictions	
☐ Protection orders	
☐ Youth justice involvement	
Parent incarcerated, history of imprisonment	
Gang involvement	
Financial and material resource difficulties	
Lack of basic amenities – power, water, phone	
Living conditions are unsanitary	
☐ Low income	
☐ Difficulties managing day-to-day expenses resulting in debt issues	
Lack of access to transport	
Frequent change of address	
Transiency i.e. parents/caregivers and child have changed address more than twice in last six months	
Homelessness	
Emergency/transitional housing	
Parent educational difficulties	
Left school early or with no formal qualification	
Literacy and/or numeracy difficulties	
Parent/caregiver has disability or impairment	