

Solihull Approach Resource: The first five years

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Assessment Form

Family worker _____ Date _____

Child's name _____ Sex _____ DoB _____

Family composition _____ Position in family _____

Nursery/day care _____

Parents' perception of the difficulty and expectations of the child:

Parents' perception of normal behaviour:

Parents' previous and current management of difficulty, e.g. praise, punishment, coercion:

Child's medical/social/emotional history

1. Pregnancy, birth history, birthweight, early childhood. What were the pregnancy and birth like?
How was the very early mother and baby relationship?
How did the mother feel when she first met her baby?

10. Do the parents understand the developmental norms of behaviour and the emotional development of the child?

11. What does the mother/father think about the child generally?

12. Do you think that the child is using his/her behaviour to express distress or anger?

13. Do the parents have their own issues around management of the difficulty?

14. What are the parents' views of family life?

15. What are the parents' goals for improvement?

If you would like to see further questions related to specific issues, please see the relevant section in Part 5.