

Kirklees Family Nurse Partnership

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Dear Colleague

**Thank you from Kirklees Family Nurse Partnership**

Family Nurse Partnership (FNP) is a preventative programme offered to young mothers having their first baby. It begins in early pregnancy and is oriented to the future health and well-being of the child. The FNP has three overarching goals:

* To improve antenatal health
* To improve child health and development
* To improve economic self-sufficiency

FNP has been running in Kirklees since 2009. We are a team of 4 nurses and 1 Supervisor and have so far delivered care to 347 clients. Our results are consistent with those of the large scale research trials in the US. These have shown consistent short and long term benefits for children and families which include:

* Reductions in smoking in pregnancy
* Greater intervals between and fewer subsequent births
* Fewer childhood accidents
* Reduction in child abuse and neglect
* Better language development in children
* Increases in employment
* Greater involvement of fathers

**To be eligible for our service, teenage mums need to be:**

1. **Pregnant with their first baby**
2. **18 years or under unless has been in the care system and we can take up to age of 19yrs**
3. **Resident in Kirklees**

The programme works with the strengths of the client and encourages them to fulfil their aspirations for their baby and themselves. A pattern of weekly and fortnightly visits begins early in pregnancy and continues until the child’s second birthday. The visits do not replace midwifery care but family nurses do replace the health visiting services for these families as they deliver the Healthy Child Programme. Family nurses use programme guidelines, materials and practical activities to work with the mother, as well as the father and wider family, on understanding their baby, making changes to their behaviour, developing emotionally and building positive relationships.

**Please email the form to** [**LCP.localaFNP@nhs.net**](mailto:LCP.localaFNP@nhs.net)

**Referrals can be made by any agency. Please save this as a master copy of this form.**

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| * Is the client aged 19 or under at LMP? |  |
| * Is this their first baby? |  |
| * Is the client under 20 week’s gestation? |  |

If the answer is YES to the above please inform the client of the following:

“Now that you are pregnant, there are other health services you may be entitled to. A family nurse from the Family Nurse Partnership may contact you to give more information.”

**Thank you for your assistance in completing this eligibility form. Please do not hesitate to contact us at the above location if you have any further questions. We will contact you for any further information we need.**

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| **CLIENT DETAILS** | | | | |
| **Client Name:** | | **Date of Birth:**  **Age:** | | |
| **Address:** | | | | |
|  | | **Postcode** | | **NHS No** |
| **Daytime Telephone Number:** Please check any confidentiality issues | | **Mobile Telephone Number:** | | |
| **GP Name & Address:** | **Midwife Name:** | | **Expected Date of Delivery** | |
| **Any further information:** i.e. are parents aware of pregnancy? Is an interpreter required? Any known previous pregnancies? | | | | |
| **Name and organisation of Referrer:**  **Contact Number:**  **Date of Referral** | | | | |