



'How Good is Your Throughcare & Aftercare Service?' promotes best practice when supporting young people who are looked after and leaving care.

It is aimed at service providers, practitioners, carers and policy makers across the range of relevant services and agencies.

Young adults who have been looked after should also know about this publication, so that they are aware of the levels of support they should receive.

Diversity of practice across Scotland often means young people receive varying levels of support, depending where they live. By implementing best practice across Scotland, there should be **improved consistency and quality of throughcare & aftercare support**.

### Quality Indicators for Best Practice

- These indicators should be applied to **the range of practice and support services** for looked after young people, across the whole of your organisation.
- It is a **self-assessment tool** to measure the extent and quality of your services.
- It can be used to establish a **benchmark** from which the development of services can be measured against in the future.
- From this self-assessment, you should identify opportunities to **improve and develop services** for looked after young people.
- You can establish **action plans** for each area which set out **targets and priority areas** to be addressed.
- This publication can be used to **raise awareness** of the needs of young people leaving care and to widely promote **corporate parenting responsibilities**.

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