Background:

The Complex Early Help and Safeguarding Hub (CEHASH) assesses the needs of children as soon as a concern is raised about their welfare. Professionals can contact CEHASH for advice and guidance or make a referral using the new Multi-**Agency Referral Form.**

Why the MARF matters:

Good quality referrals ensure that any advice or activity to protect or intervene on a child's behalf is appropriate, timely and proportionate.

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What to do?

Send completed MARF by email to:

ehash@rochdale.gov.uk

Telephone: 0300 303 0440 (8.30 am -4.45 pm) 0300 303 8875 (out of hours)

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Information:

The new MARF is a 4 page form and is more concise than the earlier version.

Questions:

You can find copies of the new MARF at: https://www.rbscb.or g/professionals/multiagency-procedures/

Information:

Professionals should always try to discuss concerns with the family and seek their agreement to a referral unless this may place the child at increased risk of Significant Harm.

Information already compiled in an Early Help **Assessment, Graded Care** Profile or other assessment can be attached to the MARF and does not need to be transferred to the form itself.



