

Things to consider before accepting a placement

What is the child/young person's name?

How old is the child/young person?

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Status?

What actions are there in their Cultural Support Plan that I will need to do?

What grade is the child/young person in and what school do they currently attend?

Is there an Education Support Plan or an appointment made to develop one?

Does the child/young person participate in any extra curricular activities?

How often does the child/young person have contact with their family? And which family members does the child/young person have contact with?

Does the child/young person suffer from any medical conditions? And if so, does the child/young person take any medication?

Does the child/young person have any medical or therapeutic appointments that need to be made or met?

Does the child/young person have a Medicare Card and Health Care Card?

Does the child/young person have any dietary requirements?

Does the child/young person have any behavioural issues that I need to know about?

Is the placement intended to be emergency/short term/long term?

What order is the child on?

Is this the child's first experience of being cared for away from home?

What is the goal for this child or young person?

How will you interact with the child or young person's family?

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- Need to seek advice from the worker and your support person who knows your family and situation, to enable you to make an informed decision.

- Discuss with your partner and family first before making a decision. Consider the needs of your own family including physical and emotional space, safety factors
