We would like this tool to be used to help maintain a constant focus on improving the ways children can remain connected to their network.

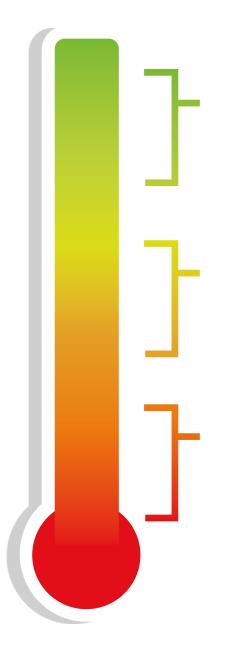
This tool isn't a replacement for the signs of safety barometer which is to be used when planning reunification, but is a tool for children where reunification isn't the plan at the moment.

The long term goal is to get to a point where everybody connected to a child strives to make sure the child can be connected to their own networks in as natural a way as possible which includes seeing more than just their parents and using a variety of different methods such as video call, messaging and telephone as well as seeing people face to face.

It's important to think about and manage risk or risk indicators and to communicate worries effectively. As such this tool should be about identifying where arrangements are at currently and what the network needs to do to improve the situation by 1 each time.

The family time safety plan should be created in collaboration between parents, the child's network, carers and professionals and should be used to promote the best arrangements that are possible at the time to allow children to enjoy time with the people that are important to them. It should also help identify any worries and what people can do to minimise those worries. The trajectory plan should also be completed to give a clear goal of where we want to get to ultimately and what we need to do to get there.

To successfully reach the upper levels it is vital to prioritise the network, enabling and empowering them to think about the child together and identifying a network lead who will help keep arrangements working and progressing.



# Who? When/where?

#### 8-10

Arrangements would be flexibly made and facilitated by the child's network (which includes the child's foster carers if applicable).

The child would be seeing their parents and other people who are important to them such as extended family, pets and friends.

### 8-10

This would include arrangements from 5-7 in addition to:

The child would have natural ways of staying connected to their network. This would include natural and regular telephone calls and video calls in addition to seeing them face to face. The calls would be led by the child's wishes and would include planned and spontaneous opportunities.

We would expect that this took place around or alongside the child's existing commitments.

We would also expect the network to understand and facilitate arrangements to include special occasions like birthdays, family and network celebrations or traditions and religious festivals.

## 5-7

Arrangements would be made and facilitated between the child's network, Social Worker, Children and Family Support Worker and Carer.

## 5-7

The child would be able to be connected to their network in mostly natural community environments like parks, open spaces, shopping centres, sports facilities and community places of worship.

This might include telephone and video calls but might also be visits to people's houses or activities together.

## 3-4

Arrangements are made and facilitated by the Social Worker or children and family support worker. The child would mostly be seeing their parents.

## 3-4

These arrangements would be timetabled in and might be a fixed day or days each week excluding weekends. They would usually take place in a North Yorkshire building or would start/finish there.

### 0-2

The child would not regularly be in contact with their parents or network.

## 0-2

When the child does see members of their network this would be facilitated by a social worker or children and family support worker.

This wouldn't be planned and the child might not know when it is in order to look forward to it.