Referral pathway to address Child or Young Person’s Faltering Growth

Child or Young Person’s faltering growth suspected or identified by parent, carer or professional, including GP

Primary care assessment by Health Visitor/School Nurse

Health visitor/school nurse identifies need for further assessment

Safeguarding threshold is met

Risk of Significant Harm – Strategy Meeting and Child Protection Procedures if necessary

No Significant Harm – Refer to Early Help with consent or No Further Action

Refer to MASH or social worker if open case

Consider

Refer to GP (Investigations if appropriate)

Assessment by Paediatrician

Eating Disorder?

No

Significant Harm – Refer to Early Help with consent or No Further Action

Refer to MASH or social worker if open case

Advice – no specific intervention

No concerns

Child is small but growing along centiles following family pattern

Weight gain pattern over time rather than single measurements

Normal surveillance if steady growth

No

Significant Harm – Refer to Early Help with consent or No Further Action

Refer to MASH or social worker if open case

Ongoing monitoring plan agreed appropriate to services

Refer to Multi-Disciplinary Team

- Child Development Team re complex developmental concerns
- CAMHS if appropriate