


5.2 Kinship and Foster Care

Project Aim	Start Date	Testing End Date	Progress Scale						
Increase in the number of inhouse foster and kinship placements by 2021. Project Manager: Isabel McDonnell (ACC) Project Charter Approved July 2019	Jul 2019	Dec 2022	6 – Testing Changes						
Changes Being Tested (Specify location/ test group)	Are our changes resulting in improvement?								
<p>Work has been undertaken to support families over the lockdown through virtual means. Learning from this use of digital tools and a family survey (due to be carried out) on their experience of service through lockdown will help inform future tests of change.</p> <p>Assessments of potential foster carers have continued to be progressed utilising digital technology. Learning from this will continue to be utilised going forward.</p>	<p>There has been an increase in the number of Kinship care placements over the lockdown period</p> <p>There has also been an increase in the number of families expressing an interest in fostering over the past 4 months. These will be progressed as a priority.</p>								
Improvement Data									
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