# Social Worker (Independent Assessments)

* To undertake court-directed Parenting and Family assessments using the DoH framework and provide high quality analysis and recommendations as required by letter of instruction.
* To produce and present high quality, complex reports and other such reports as required and to attend conferences, meetings, and court as necessary.
* To represent the centre’s views at meetings and court relating to direct work with families.
* To facilitate group work as required.
* To undertake assessments where complex family issues exist using the DoH framework for assessments of children in need as commissioned by various Local Authorities, Solicitors, and the Court, Cafcass or other professionals.
* To take a lead role in the compilation and analysis of information obtained by other staff (e.g. In house Consultant Psychotherapist / Family support workers / Contact Supervisors ) undertaking direct work as part of a joint-assessment.
* To work in partnership with children and families ensuring service user involvement and give feedback in relation to service provision and that children, young people and their careers are supported in making a full contribution.
* To ensure the welfare of children/young people using the service, keeping them safe from significant harm. This will include initiating child protection procedures where necessary.
* To promote Equal Opportunities and value diversity, ensuring all work is sensitive to the needs of service users and to challenge and redress discrimination in all its forms within the work of the centre.
* To undertake other direct work with clients where appropriate and in the absence of relevant centre staff.
* To maintain a high level of commitment to your own continued professional development relating to supervision, practice, and practice teaching.
* To work as part of a team and to support management in ensuring effective team work among centre staff and to promote team building and effective communication as required.