An overview of social care assessments for young adults and adults

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<th>Name of assessment</th>
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<td>Child’s Needs Assessment</td>
<td>Usually undertaken at 14-17. Looks at what the needs of the person who has Down’s syndrome are likely to be when they turn 18.</td>
<td>Indication from local authority as to whether a person is likely to have needs eligible for support at 18. Information about what can be done to reduce needs.</td>
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<td>Needs Assessment</td>
<td>Undertaken from 18+. Looks at the needs of the person who has Down’s syndrome and whether they need support to achieve day-to-day tasks.</td>
<td>Information, advice, support or services for the person to help them achieve day-to-day tasks. Might result in support whilst living at home, in the community, in an intentional community or in a residential home.</td>
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<td>Carer’s Assessment</td>
<td>For Carers supporting a person 18+. Looks at the needs of the carer and the impact their caring role has on their well-being and their ability to achieve day-to-day tasks.</td>
<td>Information, advice, support or services provided to the carer or the person they support to enable them to have a break from caring.</td>
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