

THE MORE YOU KNOW AUTISM SERVICES

# SOCIAL CARE ASSESSMENTS (SCA)

A (brief) guide

## FOLLOWING A DIAGNOSIS

### DECIDING TO APPLY FOR A SCA



If you feel you would benefit from additional support in your home or in the community you can contact your local council to request a SCA. The number will be on their website, usually under Adult Social Care Assessments

## INITIAL CONTACT

### CALLING SOCIAL SERVICES

You or someone you know can call on your behalf to discuss your care needs but you must be present to consent for them to speak on your behalf



## INFORMATION GATHERING

### THE CALL



During the call the operator will gather personal information about you such as name, DOB, national insurance number as well as ensuring there is no imminent risk. They will also ask about the type of support you feel you need

## SOCIAL WORKER

### YOU WILL BE ALLOCATED A SOCIAL WORKER

They will contact you to complete the assessment with you. They will look at what needs you can meet independently and what needs you need a bit more support with.



## THE DECISION

### MEETING THE CRITERIA



If you meet your council's criteria and are eligible for support they will contact you to let you know this, and what type of support they can offer.

## PERSONAL BUDGET

You may be eligible for a personal budget to pay towards your care. Your social worker will explain to you how these payments are made and can help you to source the right care for you.



Please note there is a high demand for Adult Social Care Assessments