Dental care pathway for Children in Care (CiC)

[Insert Location]

**Carer** takes Dental Assessment Form to IHA with Specialist GP/Paediatrician

Dental appointment after IHA

Dental appointment before Initial Health Assessment (IHA)

**Carer** posts/returns form to

Looked After Children Health Team, [Insert address]

**Dentist** completes sections 2, 3 and 4 of form and returns to carer at the dental appointment

**Carer** arranges dental appointment and prior to this completes section 1 of Dental Assessment Form

Carer takes form to dental appointment

**Looked After Children’s health team** send Dental Assessment Form to child’s carer with covering letter advising:

* To book dental appointment
* How to complete Dental Assessment Form
* Can see any dentist for assessment (e.g., if carer already has local practice they see)
* If no GDP, can see flexible commissioning practices

Prior to ***review*** health assessment carer arranges a new dental appointment

Pathway continues- IHA is replaced with review health assessment. Ensures ongoing dental needs assessment

Dental Assessment Form uploaded to SystmOne by **LAC health team**

Dental findings incorporated into health report/update for LAC review meeting with CISRO

Dental assessment findings incorporated into health assessment report by Specialist GP/Paediatrician

At three-month LAC review, **Children’s Independent Safeguarding Reviewing Officer (CISRO)** checks that dental care required has been/is being provided. Should child move out of area CISRO is aware of dental needs

Child taken into care