

### Things to consider before accepting a care arrangement

What is the child/young person's name?

How old is the child/young person?

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander status?

What actions are there in their Cultural Support Plan that I will need to do?

What grade is the child/young person in and what school to they currently attend?

Is there an Education Support Plan or an appointment made to develop one?

Does the child/young person participate in any extracurricular activities?

How often does the child/young person have contact with their family? And which family members does the child/young person have contact with?

Does the child/young person suffer from any medical conditions? And if so. Does the child/young person take any medication?

Does the child/young person have any medical or therapeutic appointments that need to be made or met?

- Does the child/young person have a Medicare Card and Health Care Card?
- Does the child/young person have any dietary requirements?
- Does the child/young person have any behavioural issues that I need to know about?
- Is the care arrangement intended to be emergency/short term/long term?
- What order is the child on?
- Is this the child's first experience in care?
- What is the goal for this child or young person?
- How will you interact with the child or young person's family?
- Need to seek advice from the worker and your support person who knows your family and situation, to enable you to make an informed decision.
- Discuss with your partner and family first before making a decision. Consider the needs of your own family including physical and emotional space, safety factors.