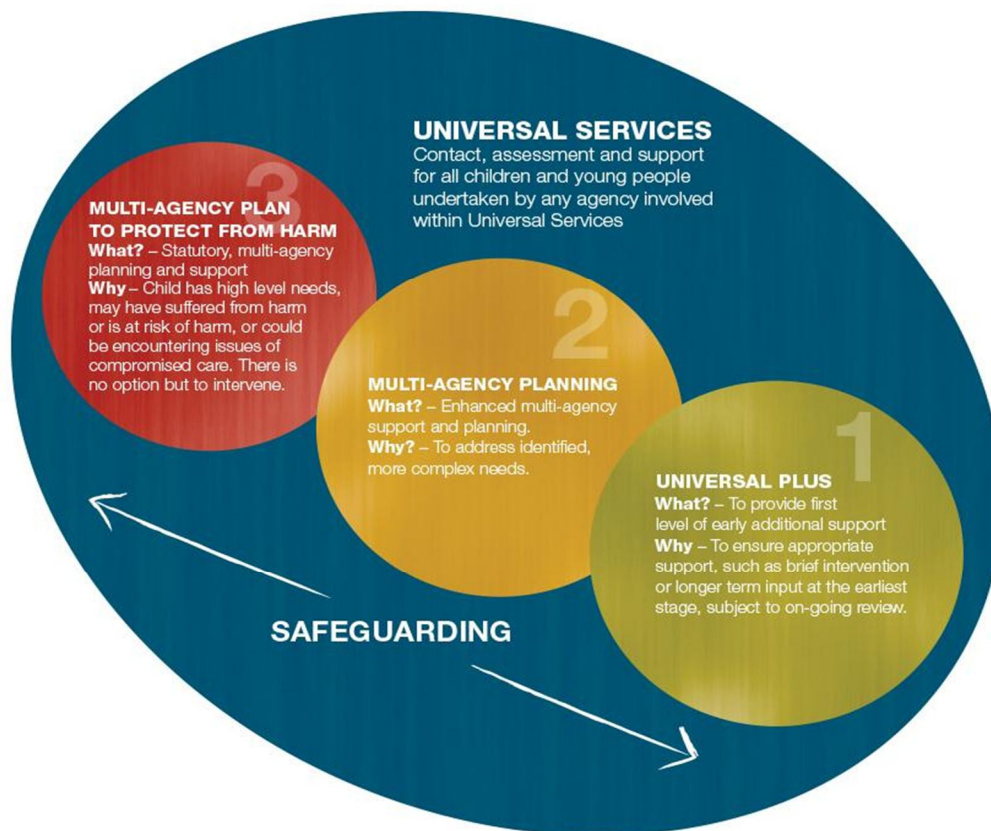


The Halton Levels of Need Framework aims to support agencies to meet the needs of children, young people and their families to ensure the best possible outcomes. It aims to assist practitioners and managers in assessing and identifying a child's level of additional needs and how best to respond in order to meet those needs as early as possible to prevent needs escalating further.

The Framework sets out three levels of additional needs above Universal Services that captures the full range of additional needs as they present. Universal Services remain at the heart of all work with children, young people and their families and are in place for all whether additional needs present themselves or not. The fundamental relationship between Universal Services and the three levels of additional needs is captured in the diagram below:



What this might mean within Health

Level 1

- Training and support, such as parent craft education

Level 2

- Multi-agency care plan
- Specialist support for teenagers involved in risk-taking behaviour

Level 3

- Contribution to multi-agency support to tackle serious mental health issues or child abuse/neglect.

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