

> About Sacro

Sacro's vision is for there to be Scotland-wide access to high quality, effective services which reduce conflict and offending and which accord with Sacro's values, operating principles and criteria. To achieve this, the specific key strategic areas for Sacro are:

- Direct service provision
- Consultancy and training
- Engaging in, promoting and disseminating research
- Influencing policy and legislation

> Direct service provision

Sacro provides a range of services to reduce conflict within families and communities.

Its services are based on evidence and international standards of good practice and Sacro is committed to development and innovation.

Sacro's staff and volunteers are trained and experienced people who are able to help people find solutions to their difficulties and disputes. Thousands of people from all over Scotland have found practical and peaceful solutions to problems through using our services.

Sacro works with a broad range of clients, many of whom have multiple needs. When appropriate, it works in partnership with local authorities and other service delivery agencies who share its values.

Sacro currently works in 28 local authorities, providing almost 80 services from 35 locations.

If you would like a translated version of this leaflet, please phone 0131 624 7270 or e-mail info@national.sacro.org.uk quoting reference MOT/322.

This leaflet is also available in large print or Braille.

In order to make Sacro's services as widely available as possible, we have made every reasonable effort to facilitate easy access to all of our premises for disabled service users. Where this is not possible, we will arrange a suitable, alternative venue.

Bu broşürün çevirisini istiyorsanız, lütfen 0131 624 7270'i telefonla arayın veya eposta gönderip MOT/322 dosya numarasını söyleyin.

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欲索取這單張的翻譯版本，請電 0131 624 7270，或電郵 info@national.sacro.org.uk，並說明檔案編號 MOT/322。

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If you are uncertain about anything you have read in this leaflet or require further information on Family Group Conferencing, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the Service at:

Family Group Conferencing

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Family Group Conferences



Information for Children and Young People



> What is a Family Group Conference?

A Family Group Conference is a meeting in which you, your family and other people who care about you can get together to talk about any problems you may be having.

The aim of the meeting is to come up with a Family Plan that will try to make things better for you.

> Who can come to a Family Group Conference?

You, your parents or carers and the rest of your family can come. Your grandparents, uncles and aunts and close family friends can come too.

People who work with you and your family may also be there, like Social Workers or Health Visitors.

> Who runs the Conference?

The person who will organise and run the conference is called the "Co-ordinator".

The Co-ordinator is employed by Sacro.

Sacro is a voluntary agency. It is not part of Social Work or any other service that may be working with your family.

> What happens first?

The Co-ordinator will visit you and your parents or carers.

They will tell you more about what happens in a conference and how it could help make things better for you.

If you decide to go ahead with a conference, the Co-ordinator will visit any other people you want to invite to the meeting.

> What happens then?

The Co-ordinator may visit everyone coming to the conference again, just to make sure they are prepared.

> Where is the Conference?

The conference will be held in a community centre or hall near to your home. It will be a nice, quiet and comfortable room, with refreshments for you.

> What happens at the Conference?

You can talk about anything that is bothering you and you can ask questions.

The people who work with you (like your social worker) will then say what they think the issues are and how they can help.

You and your family will then be left alone to make a plan that you think can make things better.

Everyone else then comes back in and everyone decides if the plan is okay. If it is, everyone gets a copy so they know what their part is in the plan.

Usually someone in the family will agree to make sure the plan is working. You and your family may also decide to have a second meeting to talk about how things are going

The meeting ends and everyone gets more refreshments!

> After the Conference

The people named in the plan will do what they have agreed to do. They will work together to make the plan a success and make life better for you and your family.

If this is not happening, you can talk to the person who has agreed to make sure the plan is working or to the social worker.