

18-month developmental check

for children in Bolton

Parent Information



Bolton Council's Start Well Service, working closely with the Public Health Nursing service (health visitors) will be offering an extra developmental check for 18-month-old children (for all families with children not being seen by a Public Health Nurse).



The 18-month old check will:

- Follow on from your child's nine to 12-month assessment
- Be carried out by a qualified early years practitioner with a wealth of experience in child development and supporting families
- Take place in your home (unless this is not convenient for you)

It is an opportunity to review with you, your child's:

- Social, emotional and behavioural development
- Communication and language development
- General development
- Any other concerns you may have

The check will be shared with your specialist public health nurse (health visitor).

When will checks begin?



**July
2023**

Initially in two
neighbourhoods,
Turton and Rumworth



**Oct
2023**

Checks will be
rolled out across
Bolton

You'll receive an invitation to take up the offer of an 18-month-old check from a Start Well early years practitioner by letter or telephone from the dates above.

This assessment is being completed in line with what other local authorities in Greater Manchester currently offer.

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