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In considering whether an EHC needs assessment is necessary, the local authority should consider whether there is evidence that despite the early years provider, school or post-16 institution having taken relevant and purposeful action to identify, assess and meet the special educational needs of the child or young person [Best Endeavours], the child or young person has not made expected progress. To inform their decision the local authority will need to take into account a wide range of evidence, and should pay particular attention to:

Evidence;	Document and dates written:
Attainment and Progress	
• Evidence of the CYP's academic attainment (or developmental milestones in younger children) and rate of progress (current levels of attainment and previous attainment)	
<u>Progress</u>	
 Is the CYP making progress towards their outcomes? 	
 Is the CYP making progress in their academic levels – what were the rates of attainment? 	
Nature of CYP's SEN	
 information about the nature, extent and context of the CYP's SEN – use description and information found in Appendix 2 	
Action already Taken	
• Evidence of the action already being taken by the early year's provider, school or post-16 institution to meet the CYP's SEN.	
• Reviewed and evaluated support or provision plan, in general a minimum of three plans are required, they need	
to show changes have been made over time (part of the APDR cycle). This could be an increase in a type of	
provision, stopping one strategy and replacing it with another or changing an outcome for example.	
Best endeavours	
APDR	
 Assess – evidence that advice has been sought to identify the needs of the CYP 	
 Plan - evidence of planning for the CYP 	

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 Do - evidence of putting strategies and /or interventions and/or provision and/or resources in place to support the CYP 	
 Reviews – evidence to demonstrate the provision and outcomes have been reviewed. (Have outcomes, provision, strategies and interventions been amended, changed, increased, decreased, replaced with an alternative?) 	
Health Needs	
 Evidence of the child or young person's physical, emotional and social development and health needs, drawing on relevant evidence from clinicians and other health. 	
 Professional reports from wider agencies/professionals – ensure any of the strategies or interventions recommended by these professionals been implemented and reviewed 	
Outcomes	
 Outcomes must relate to the provision – are they appropriate and relevant (the A and R in SMART)? Progress the CYP is making towards achieving their outcomes 	
Funding	
 Evidence about the cost of the provision in place (SCARF, School HNF or FE HNF) 	