

The Assessment Process: Step by Step

Step 1. Enquiry

Contact can be made by phoning the office directly on 01-8770577 and having an informal conversation. If it seems you meet the criteria a Home Sharing pack will be posted to you which will include an application form.

Step 2. Application Form

Fill out the application form in full and return to the Home Sharing Co-ordinator. Following this, a home visit will be set up at a date and time that suits you to complete a preliminary screening, with a Home Sharing Social Worker.

Step 3. Preliminary screening

Home Sharing Social Worker will discuss your application form and you will be asked to complete Garda vetting, child protection checks and attend a medical with your GP.

Step 4. Home Share Assessment

An assessment will be completed during a number of visits to your home to determine your suitability as a host family. As part of this assessment you will be given the opportunity to discuss your preference for a placement of a child or adult and explore the level of care you can provide & a schedule that suits you best. Once the assessment is completed your assessment report will be presented to a panel for approval.

Step 5. Induction & Training

Mandatory training will be provided. Topics include Safe Administration of Medication, Duty of Care, Safeguarding, Health & Safety, Report Writing, Safe Caring and Confidentiality. There is also specific training in relation to the person you are welcoming into your home.

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