



Family justice and court craft

Legal literacy is the ability to connect relevant legal rules with professional priorities and objectives of ethical practice. This selection of learning resources about court craft and legal literacy can be used to support evidence-informed practice with children, young people and families.



Read

Longer read: [Defensible decision-making in children's social care - resource pack for practice supervisors: Frontline Briefing \(2022\)](#)
Longer read: [Ensuring equality, diversity and inclusion in the Family Court: Frontline Briefing \(2022\)](#)
Longer read: [Care planning for children in proceedings: Frontline Briefing \(2022\)](#)
Longer read: [Pre-Case Management Hearing Meeting Scoping Pilot: Final Report \(2024\)](#)
Short read: [Voluntary care arrangements under section 20 \(England\) and 76 \(Wales\): Frontline Briefing \(2023\)](#)
Longer read: [Ensuring equality, diversity and inclusion in the Family Court: Frontline Briefing \(2022\)](#)



Watch

30 minutes: [The Liberty Protection Safeguards – where next?: Video learning resources \(2023\)](#)
45 minutes: [Intersecting inequalities: Child social care involvement and youth justice contact: Video Learning Resources \(2024\)](#)



Listen

1 hour: [Learning from and supporting the voice of families in court \(2022\)](#)
20 minutes: [The role of an intermediary in family and criminal proceedings \(2021\)](#)
45 minutes: [Using case law in social care practice \(2023\)](#)



Tools

[Social work practice in the family court: Practice Tool \(2017\)](#)
[Completing social work chronologies: Practice Tool \(2022\)](#)
[Using genograms in practice: Practice Tool \(2024\)](#)



Reflect

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For more resources, explore the [pre-proceedings and family justice hub](#) or the [family justice topic page](#).

We also publish regular [case law and legal summaries](#) of important legal judgments and their impact on practice.