

CELCIS – Your right to continuing care

Sophie's Story

Continuing Care whilst living at home on a Supervision Order

Little brother

Sophie, are we go back to live with mum and dad soon?

Sophie

Yeah! Our social worker was saying we're going to be looked after at home now...

Little brother

Oh, great! If we are going to be looked after, do you think we will get sweets at the weekend?

Sophie

I hope so! But I think there's a bit more to it than that... I'm not exactly sure... Let's ask jelly. Jelly!

Jelly the cat

Hey guys, what's up?

Sophie

We're going back to live with mum and dad soon, and everyone keeps saying we're going to be looked after and on order. What exactly does that mean? It's very confusing!

Jelly the cat

Ah, I see. Well, I think you're talking about something called a compulsory supervision order. A lot of kids have them when they return to living with their parents. It means that you and your family will continue to have support from the social workers...

Little brother

What, forever?

Jelly the cat

No, just until everyone agrees you don't need it anymore... If you're still on the order, when you turn 16, then it means you are also entitled to aftercare support. But that's still a few years away yet. If you're still on this order, when you're about to turn 16, your social workers or lots of other adults will be able to explain this to you. Don't worry.

Sophie

Thanks Jelly. That's really helpful!