



Welcome to Advanced SCS



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About Us...

Advanced Social Care Services (ASCS)

Advanced Social Care Services (Advanced SCS) brings together three highly established brands with leading reputations in the field of social care to support local authorities, family solicitors, and the people they're responsible for protecting.

With nationwide panels of highly experienced, completely independent social workers, we're able to provide unbiased assessments that discover the truth about an individual's challenges and needs to support your cases and ensure the right care is delivered.

Built on 25 years' experience in three distinct areas, Advanced SCS ensures you have access to the information and reporting you need, at the moment you need it.

Our specialist divisions:

Advanced Child Care Assessment

- ACCA & AdvancedPlus – Child & Family Assessments and Services

Advanced Adult Care Assessment

- AACA – Adult Social Care & Mental Health

Advanced Health Care Assessments

- AHCS – ADHD and Autism Diagnostics

We work with local authorities, legal professionals, the NHS, private clients, and commissioning frameworks to deliver assessments that are accurate, ethical, and audit-ready every time.



Child Needs & Development

Children's needs, disabilities, neurodevelopmental assessments, and tribunal reports.

Family & Relationships

Family dynamics, sibling placement, & connected persons' suitability

Risk & Safeguarding

Harmful behaviours, exploitation & safeguarding risks

Legal & Court-Ordered Reports

Court-ordered welfare, permanence & statutory duty compliance

Other Specialist Assessments

Age verification, immigration & complex multi-disciplinary cases

Child Care Assessments



Family and Parenting Assessments

Our Family and Parenting Assessments provide a detailed, balanced understanding of family dynamics, parenting capacity, and the needs of the child. We work sensitively with families to identify strengths, challenges, and areas for support, ensuring that recommendations are child-focused and tailored to each unique situation.

Child Welfare and Risk Assessments

These assessments focus on the safety, wellbeing, and developmental needs of children. We carefully evaluate potential risks, protective factors, and the child's lived experiences to inform clear, evidence-based decisions that prioritise their welfare and long-term stability.

Specialist & Multi-disciplinary Assessments

For complex cases requiring a range of expertise, our Specialist & Multi-disciplinary Assessments bring together professionals from different fields. This collaborative approach ensures a holistic view of the child's needs, incorporating medical, psychological, educational, and social perspectives for the most accurate and comprehensive outcomes.

“The ISW was truly dedicated throughout this process. She had frequent communication with several professionals and family members, wrote a fair and balanced parenting assessment (and sibling assessment), and gave evidence in court clearly and confidently. Having worked with a multitude of Independent Social Workers, it's a pleasure to work alongside someone who strives to ensure professionalism, accuracy, and emotional intelligence are utilised simultaneously in their approach.

- Midlands Local Authority ”

Advanced A PLUS



Observational Services

In the Home Programme Observations

Undertaken by an Independent Social Worker and a team of experienced Parenting Practitioners, our In-Home Programme and Community-Based Supervision are delivered within the family home and in the local community over a period and level that is determined by the instructing Local Authority or as a collective or representatives.

TOP Teaching & Snap Analysis

Both are bespoke packages of teaching and support tailored to the parents' needs. The SNAP Analysis is a complimentary service integrated into the In the Home Programme. It focuses on determining a parent's strengths and weaknesses. In contrast, the Tops Teaching programme supports parents in their homes in developing their capacity to care for their children independently or as a stand-alone service.

Family Time

The Children Act 1989/2004 imposed a duty upon Local Authorities to promote 'reasonable contact' between a looked-after child and his/her parents and specified others, providing this is consistent with the child's welfare, and it is reasonably practical to do so.

Outreach

Undertaken by our team of experienced Parenting Practitioners, our Outreach Service supports families in various circumstances by providing necessary support and supervision for parents with their children when identified risks necessitate additional safeguards.

“The ACCA service has been really positive and all the staff members that have worked with me and my family have all been super helpful, kind and respectful.”
-Family Member



Advanced ACA

Needs Assessments & Care Planning

Needs assessments, care and support plans, social care reviews, carers assessments, transitions assessments

Mental Capacity & Best Interests

Mental capacity assessments, CoP3 assessments, best interests reports, DoLS assessments, breach of duty assessments

Specialist Psychological & Health Assessments

Full psychological assessments, cognitive assessments, continuing healthcare assessments

Immigration & Complex Assessments Immigration assessments

Adult Care Assessments

Specialist Social Care & Health Assessments

We provide independent, expert assessments to inform decisions in social care, health, and legal settings, ensuring recommendations are evidence-based and tailored to individual needs.

Social Care & Support Planning

From identifying needs to creating tailored care and support plans, we help individuals access the right services at the right time. Our work includes reviewing existing arrangements, supporting smooth transitions between services, and assessing the needs of carers to ensure they receive appropriate support.

Mental Capacity & Legal Assessments

We undertake thorough assessments to determine decision-making capacity, prepare reports for the Court of Protection, and make best-interest recommendations. Our expertise also covers Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards, breach of duty cases, and specialist assessments to support immigration-related legal processes.

Health & Psychological Assessments

Our team delivers in-depth psychological and cognitive evaluations, helping to identify strengths, challenges, and support needs. We also assess eligibility for NHS Continuing Healthcare, ensuring individuals receive the funding and care they are entitled to.

“ AACA have provided an invaluable service, we are now ready for the arrival of CQC.”
-Yorkshire, Local Authority

Advanced HCA



Neurodevelopmental & ADHD/ASD Assessments

Adult autism spectrum disorder, adult ADHD assessments, adult combined ASD and ADHD, child autism spectrum disorder, child ADHD assessment, child combined ASD and ADHD



Health Care Assessments

ADHD & Autism Assessments

As an approved provider under the NHS Framework, we offer specialist ADHD and autism assessments for private individuals, educational settings, Local Authorities, and the NHS. Our diagnostic services are comprehensive, evidence-based, and tailored to meet the needs of each individual.

Adult Assessments

We provide thorough evaluations for Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and ADHD in adults, as well as integrated assessments for those with co-occurring conditions. Each assessment is designed to offer clarity, support, and a clear pathway forward.

Child & Adolescent Assessments

Our specialist assessments for children and young people identify autism and ADHD with sensitivity and precision, helping families, schools, and professionals understand needs and plan appropriate support.

“The staff members have all been very helpful with any questions that I have had. I didn't feel judged by any staff member for asking questions, and they've been really supportive.”
-Patient

Due Diligence

Safeguarding & Compliance

We operate under a robust safeguarding framework, with policies covering child protection, lone working, risk management, and ethical practice. All procedures are regularly reviewed to ensure full compliance with statutory guidance and commissioning standards.

Qualified & Insured Team

Our professionals are fully qualified and recruited under Safer Recruitment standards. We hold professional and public indemnity insurance, ensuring accountability and protection for all parties involved.

Secure & Vetted Workforce

All staff have enhanced DBS checks dated within the last 12 months or are registered on the update service. We are Cyber Essentials accredited, with strong data protection and information security policies in place.

Ethical Practice & Confidentiality

We uphold the highest standards of confidentiality and ethical conduct. Our work is guided by clear policies and a commitment to transparency, respect, and child-centred practice. We are Cyber Essentials Accredited and NHS Standard Met Accredited.

Evidence Available

Full documentation of our policies, procedures, and insurance cover is available upon request, including safeguarding, data protection, information security, recruitment, and risk management protocols. Also evidence of existing frameworks is also available upon request.



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