What are we worried about?	What is working well?	What needs to happen?
Past Harm/Past Worries This is the harm/ worrying things which have happened in the past. Try to be as specific as possible; what exactly happened, specifically when did it happen and who was involved? Start off with who is worried about what happened in the past. Note the impact of what happened. Current Harm/Worries This is the danger what is happening right now that we are worried about? Again, be as specific as possible in terms of details; who, what, when. Specify who is worried. What is the impact and what will happen if nothing changes (why are they worried)?	Existing Strengths What is working well and why? Acknowledge the positives which can be built upon to achieve success. Existing Safety or Success What is currently happening to prevent harm? In the case of a child we are worried about, who steps in, or what happens, in order to prevent the danger? In the case of an operational problem, what was happening when things were at their best?	What do we need to do, to achieve the safety goal? This is the plan. Safety Goal What are your best hopes for this family (or this operational issue)? What do we need to achieve before we can close the case (families) or close the issue (operational)? Describe what the behaviours look like, rather than do not look like (i.e. calm household rather than no arguing). In terms of families, part of the safety goal would be to identify a safety network who can implement a safety plan to make sure that even when things get really tough, the child stays safe.
(Danger/Worry Statement) This should be written for you above; it is the collective past harm/worries and current harm/worries. In summary, it should include who is worried, what has happened in the past that has made them worried, what is happening		

now that is making them worry, what the impact of this is, and what will happen if nothing changes.	
Complicating Factors These are the things which get in the way of being able to make changes but do not necessarily cause harm in isolation.	

Scaling Question

This is your worst case scenario (0) and best case scenario (10) so think about your danger statement (the worse thing that could happen) as 0, and achieving your safety goal (what you want things to look like), as 10.

These are often very wordy and start with, if 0 was that... and 10 was that... where would you scale this today?

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