

## Are you staying with somebody who is not a close relative?



Are you are under 16 (or under 18 if you are disabled) and staying with someone who is not your Mum, Dad, Granny, Grandad, Aunt, Uncle, brother, sister or step-parent?

It could be a neighbour, family friend or parent of one of your friends.

## What happens next?

The person you are staying with is called your **private foster carer**.

Somebody has to let Children's Social Care know that you are no longer staying at home.

This could be your parents, private foster carer, school, or even your doctor.

Have you been staying with them for more than 28 days in total?



## Talking with Social Workers



When you begin staying with your private carer Children's Social Care will send a social worker who will come and talk to you privately to make sure you are happy and safe.

If you are not happy, tell them and they will try and make things better for you.



## For more information contact

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