



# Support for Care Leavers

## **Allocated Personal Adviser**

Due to the changes in the Children and Social Work Act 2017 you are now able to receive support from your Personal Adviser until the age of 25.

Your Personal Adviser is there to help you through your transition into adulthood and independence. You will have a Pathway Plan which will set out your support needs and plans for the future. This will be reviewed every 6 months by your Personal Adviser to ensure you are on track and identify any areas of need. The support you receive after 21 will depend on your current situation and needs.

When you make a request to access your records from us you can contact your Personal Adviser. You and your Personal Adviser can look through your review minutes and other information that you're able to access. There may be some records that you are not able to access because of something called 'exemptions,' but your Personal Adviser will discuss this with you.

If you do feel ready to close from Pathways at 21 but have support needs in the future you can come back to us (until age 25); we will then assess the level of support you need.

We will try to make sure you keep the same Personal Adviser but this is not always possible.