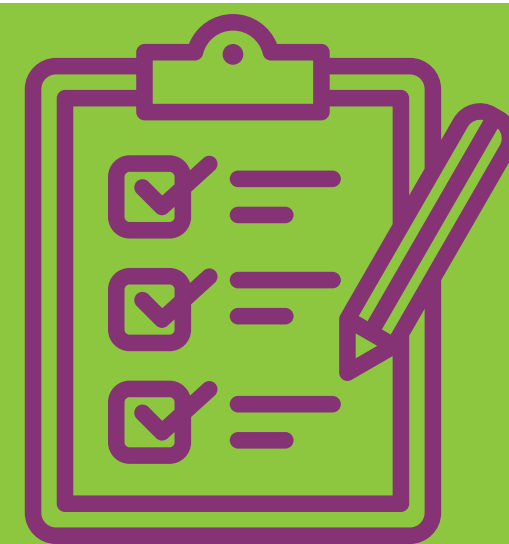


# Home Sharing



## The Assessment Process: Step by Step

### **Step 1. Enquiry**

Contact can be made by phoning the office directly on 086-0834461 and having an informal conversation. If it seems you meet the criteria a Home Sharing pack will be posted to you which will include an application form.

### **Step 2. Application Form**

Fill out the application form in full and return to the Home Share Team. Following this, a home visit will be set up at a date and time that suits you to complete a preliminary screening, with a Home Sharing Social Worker.

### **Step 3. Preliminary screening**

Home Sharing Social Worker will discuss your application form and you will be asked to complete Garda vetting, child protection checks and attend a medical with your GP.

### **Step 4. Home Sharing Assessment**

An assessment will be completed during a number of visits to your home to determine your suitability as a host family. As part of this assessment you will be given the opportunity to discuss your preference for a placement of a child or adult and explore the level of care you can provide & a schedule that suits you best. Once the assessment is completed your assessment report will be presented to a panel for approval.

### **Step 5. Induction & Training**

Mandatory training will be provided. Topics include Safe Administration of Medication, Duty of Care, Safeguarding, Health & Safety, Report Writing, Safe Caring and Confidentiality. There is also specific training in relation to the person you are welcoming into your home.