

TOP TIPS FROM YOUNG PEOPLE

The Right Way Social Care - we engaged with a number of groups across Wales to ask them their views to help us create The Right Way - Social Care. Here are some simple tips they wanted to share....

Top tips for workers

- Be kind
- Don't be bossy
- Patience is key
- Not everyone will trust you - don't take it personally
- First impressions last.
- Don't live by the rules that other young people have set who are worst behaved.
- See me as a friend's child or someone else's child not just a case.
- Don't think all kids are bad, half of us are all right
- Just get to know us like you would a friend's child
- Don't always be so serious
- Be open and honest
- Be confident - otherwise people won't believe what you are saying
- Always be supportive
- Don't push people unless they are ready to open up
- They need to try their best to get the best placement for children, so they don't have to move around constantly
- They need to be a certain personality - outgoing, friendly a good listener and sympathetic
- Keep us safe
- Say hello and introduce yourself
- Make sure a child is happy in their foster home
- Be polite

"Don't assume that someone's angry or naughty because of the way they're acting as something bigger might be going on behind closed doors"