

Potential Situations

Health concerns

One parent is a key worker

You may want to arrange for your child to live with the other parent even if they are not the main resident parent.

Both parents are key workers

Parents can make a temporary arrangement for the child to live with another family member such as grandparent (if it is safe to do so), aunt or uncle. Parents must communicate between themselves and agree on what is in your child's best interest.

Vulnerable people

If there is a vulnerable person or child in the household, then consider whether it is safe for your child to move between households.

Other concerns

Different parenting styles

Decisions relating to the exercise of parental responsibility can be made by the parent the child is with at that time. If the other parent is unhappy with the decision they can consider consulting a mediator, or applying for a prohibited steps order.

Abusive households

If you are concerned about your child's welfare then you are strongly advised to contact your solicitor or social services. Using coronavirus as a means of stopping contact is also not acceptable by either parent.