Attitudes, values and style of interaction embodied by practitioners and the whole team

1.1. Attitudes, values and style of interaction

Attitudes towards children/young people and their families/carers

An ability to work from a position that recognises that children/young people have human rights, and that decisions about their care should balance their safety (and possibly restriction) with autonomy, independence and agency in their life

"	An ability to take a compassionate and respectful attitude that conveys a sense:
	" that behaviour that challenges is often a re ection of understandable ways of coping as a result of life experiences, including high levels of distress, exposure to trauma, ways of relating to people and self as a consequence of early experience, or adverse experiences within the healthcare system
	" that the child/young person's experience of distress is real
	" that psychological support and interventions should be o ered, on the basis that there is evidence for their potential e ectiveness
"	An ability to work from a position that assumes that the di culties experienced and expressed by children/young people can usually be



33	practitioners can learn from the experience of children/young people and their families/carers
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