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Referral Orders

**Tower Hamlets and City of London Youth Justice Service**

1. **What is a referral order?**

The court says you have to do certain things to not get in trouble with the police again

**2. How long will my referral order last?**

My order will last \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. **What happens now?**

Your case worker from the Youth Justice Service will get in touch and will talk to you about what happened. Your worker will write a report and you will attend a panel meeting.

1. **When does the panel meeting happen?**

20 days after you receive your referral order.

1. **What happens in a panel meeting?**

In this meeting a written plan will be made to support you. This will include activities/tasks that will help you:

1. To avoid getting into trouble again
2. To do well in training/education employment
3. To be healthy
4. To enjoy free time and have hobbies
5. To make things better for the people you may have harmed
6. **Who attends the panel meeting?**

You, your parent or carer, 2 community panel members (these people are volunteers and not the police), your case worker.

1. **Why do I have to do my referral order?**

If you do not attend or complete activities/tasks for your referral order then you may have to go

back to court and you may get into more serious trouble.

**8. What happens if I still don’t understand my referral order?**

It is okay not to understand. Ask your case worker to explain your referral order to you.

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