**Think Family checklist**

**When working with/supporting an individual in custody it might be useful to consider the following:**

* Are they keeping in contact with family members or other people who are important to them (e.g. personal advisor if they are a care leaver)?
* Do they have children with whom they are permitted contact? How are they maintaining contact with their children?
* If they have children, are they aware of services to support them as a parent e.g. Family Visits, Storybook Dads, Family Engagement Worker, Parent craft programmes?
* Do they need any support to maintain relationships with children/family members/significant others?
* Are they receiving regular social visits? If not, why not?
* Do they know about all the ways to stay in contact with family and friends – email, telephone, prisoner voicemail, visits and extended visits (such as family days)?
* Are they/their family aware of the Assisted Prison Visit scheme?
* If they do not have relationships with family or significant others are they aware of the various schemes available to support them to maintain contact with communities/establish relationships (for example: peer support, mentors, official prison visitors)
* Are you aware of your establishment’s child safeguarding policy and procedures and are you aware of how to identify and/or report a child safeguarding concern?