Things to consider before accepting a placement

☐ What is the child/young person’s name?

☐ How old is the child/young person?

☐ Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Status?

☐ What actions are there in their Cultural Support Plan that I will need to do?

☐ What grade is the child/young person in and what school do they currently attend?

☐ Is there an Education Support Plan or an appointment made to develop one?

☐ Does the child/young person participate in any extra curricular activities?
□ How often does the child/young person have contact with their family? And which family members does the child/young person have contact with?

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□ Does the child/young person suffer from any medical conditions? And if so, does the child/young person take any medication?

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□ Does the child/young person have any medical or therapeutic appointments that need to be made or met?

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□ Does the child/young person have a Medicare Card and Health Care Card?

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□ Does the child/young person have any dietary requirements?

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☐ Does the child/young person have any behavioural issues that I need to know about?

☐ Is the placement intended to be emergency/short term/long term?

☐ What order is the child on?

☐ Is this the child’s first experience of being cared for away from home?

☐ What is the goal for this child or young person?

☐ How will you interact with the child or young person’s family?
☐ Need to seek advice from the worker and your support person who knows your family and situation, to enable you to make an informed decision.

☐ Discuss with your partner and family first before making a decision. Consider the needs of your own family including physical and emotional space, safety factors