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- Question 1: As a _____, where would I come into contact with a drug endangered child?
  - For example, X, Y and Z are all ways a professional from that discipline could come into contact with a DEC

    - If X, what steps do I currently take?

    - If X, what steps should I take?

        - Who needs to be notified?

        - What information do I need to provide?

        - What are the next steps?

  - Repeat for Y, Z, etc. to determine the procedure and information sharing that need to be carried out for each case

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- Question 2: What information do I need from other disciplines when a DEC case is referred to me that...
    - I'm currently receiving and want to continue receiving?
        - Reinforces the importance of this information as it relates to DEC cases
        - Gives insight into similar information that is available but not previously provided

    - I'm currently not receiving and would like to receive?
        - Information that others collect but may not consider valuable and/or useful to share
        - Information that others <u>could</u> have access to but do not collect or inquire after

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- Question 3: If the procedures to be carried out and the information to be shared determined from the answers to the questions above all take place...
  - Are the DEC in question properly identified?

    - Do they have easy, efficient access to the other resources they require?

    - Can we track them and/or collect data to help improve our collaborative efforts in the future?

  - Have we effectively closed as many gaps as possible between resources? Which gaps remain open?

  - Does everyone who will play a role in the child's recovery and ongoing care have the information they'll require? If not, how can it be better shared?