

Feature	Fosterlines NI, Wales, Scotland, England	TFN membership (foster carer)	Advocacy and Mediation (spot purchase)	Advocacy and Mediation (SLA)	Advocacy and Mediation (variable consultant contract)	Advocacy & Mediation (named, dedicated consultant contract)	A&M plus membership (named, dedicated consultant contract)
Advice	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Guidance	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Mediation	X	X	√	√	√	√	√
Advocacy	X	X	√	√	√	√	√
Home visits	X	X	√	√	√	√	√
Attendance at meetings	X	X	√	√	√	√	√
Legal support	X	√	X	X	X	X	√
24 hour counselling support	X	√	X	X	X	X	√
Direct access for foster carers	√	√	X	X	X	√	√
Consistent, dedicated worker	X	X	X	X	X	√	√
Attendance at and provision of training courses	X	X	X	X	√*	√	√
Fixed cost	N/A	√	X	X	X	√	√
Open ended (no time limit)	√	√	X	X	X	√	√
Provides tailored comprehensive service	X	X	X	X	X	√	√