

Wording tracker

Follow an important phrase through the record, one document at a time

How to use it. Choose a phrase that could affect your case. List each document where it appears, in date order. Copy the exact words. Note who said it and what kind of statement it is. Then note what changed since the last version. **Keep this sheet private:** do not post it online or share documents from your case, and use initials, not names, if you might show it to anyone.

Phrase I am tracking: _____ Started: _____

Date	Document	Exact wording (copy it)	Who said it	Kind of statement*	What changed since the last version
3 Mar	Referral	"Mother reports that she was frightened by Father's behaviour."	Mother, named	Allegation	Baseline. The source is clear.
20 Apr	Assessment	"There have been concerns regarding Father's behaviour within the relationship."	Not stated	Professional concern	The person making the allegation is no longer named.
18 Jun	Report	"There is a history of domestic abuse."	Not stated	Sounds like a finding. None recorded.	Sounds established. No court finding is recorded.

Shaded rows are an invented illustration. They are not from any real case. *Kind of statement: allegation, observation, professional opinion or concern, or a finding by a court. A phrase can sound like a finding without one having been made.
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