



Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014

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PART 4

MEETING NEEDS

Meeting care and support needs of children

37 Duty to meet care and support needs of a child

- (1) A local authority must meet a child's needs for care and support if it is satisfied that conditions 1 and 2, and any conditions specified in regulations, are met (but see subsections (5) and (6)).
- (2) Condition 1 is that the child is within the local authority's area.
- (3) Condition 2 is that—
 - (a) the needs meet the eligibility criteria, or
 - (b) the local authority considers it necessary to meet the needs in order to protect the child from—
 - (i) abuse or neglect or a risk of abuse or neglect, or
 - (ii) other harm or a risk of such harm.
- (4) If the local authority has been notified about a child under section 120(2)(a), it must treat the child as being within its area for the purposes of this section.
- (5) The duty under subsection (1) does not apply to a child's needs to the extent that the local authority is satisfied that those needs are being met by the child's family or a carer.
- (6) This section does not apply to a child who is looked after by—
 - (a) a local authority,
 - (b) a local authority in England,

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- (c) a local authority in Scotland, or
- (d) a Health and Social Care trust.