

Social Services and Wellbeing (Wales) Act 2014

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PART 6

LOOKED AFTER AND ACCOMMODATED CHILDREN

Duties of local authorities in relation to looked after children

83 Care and support plans

- (1) Where a child becomes looked after by a local authority, any care and support plan prepared under section 54 in relation to that child must be—
 - (a) reviewed, and
 - (b) maintained under this section.
- (2) Where a child who does not have a care and support plan under section 54 becomes looked after by a local authority, the local authority must prepare and maintain a care and support plan in relation to that child.
- (3) A local authority must keep under review the plans that it maintains under this section.
- (4) Where a local authority is satisfied that the circumstances of the child to whom a plan relates have changed in a way that affects the plan, the authority must—
 - (a) carry out such assessments as it considers appropriate, and
 - (b) revise the plan.
- (5) Regulations must make provision about—
 - (a) how plans under this section are to be prepared;
 - (b) what a plan is to contain;
 - (c) the review and revision of plans.
- (6) Regulations under subsection (5)(c) must specify, in particular—

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (a) the persons who may request a review of a plan (on their own behalf or on behalf of another person);
- (b) the circumstances in which a local authority—
 - (i) may refuse to comply with a request for a review of a plan, and
 - (ii) may not refuse to do so.
- (7) When preparing, reviewing or revising a plan under this section, a local authority must involve the child to whom the plan relates and any person with parental responsibility for the child.
- (8) The local authority may—
 - (a) prepare, review or revise a plan under this section at the same time as it or another body is preparing, reviewing or revising another document in the case of the child concerned, and
 - (b) include the other document in the plan.
- (9) Any part of a plan maintained under this section which meets the requirements imposed by or under section 31A of the Children Act 1989 may be treated for the purposes of that Act as a plan prepared under section 31A of that Act.