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Section 30 – Children's hearing: duty to consider appointing safeguarder

32. This section places a duty on every Children's Hearing to actively consider whether to appoint a Safeguarder. A Safeguarder is a person whose job it is to safeguard the interests of the child involved in the hearing. Subsection (4) requires the Children's Hearing to state the reasons for appointing a Safeguarder. This duty on the Children's Hearing only applies where a Safeguarder has not already been appointed.