

# Carers (Scotland) Act 2016

#### PART 2

#### ADULT CARER SUPPORT PLANS AND YOUNG CARER STATEMENTS

#### **CHAPTER 2**

### YOUNG CARER STATEMENTS

Content and review of young carer statement

## 15 Content of young carer statement

- (1) A young carer statement must contain—
  - (a) information about the young carer's personal circumstances at the time of the preparation of the statement, including—
    - (i) the nature and extent of the care provided or to be provided,
    - (ii) the impact of caring on the young carer's wellbeing and day-to-day life,
  - (b) information about the extent to which the young carer is able and willing to provide care for the cared-for person,
  - (c) information about the extent to which the responsible authority considers that the nature and extent of the care provided by the young carer is appropriate,
  - (d) information about whether the young carer has arrangements in place for the provision of care to the cared-for person in an emergency,
  - (e) information about whether the young carer has arrangements in place for the future care of the cared-for person,
  - (f) information about the identification of the young carer's personal outcomes, including about the young carer's identified personal outcomes,
  - (g) information about the identification of the young carer's needs for support, including—
    - (i) if the young carer has identified needs, those needs,
    - (ii) if no needs for support are identified, that fact,

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- (h) information about the support available to young carers and cared-for persons in the responsible local authority's area,
- (i) if the young carer does not reside in the responsible local authority's area, information about the support available to young carers in the area where the young carer resides,
- (j) if the young carer's identified needs meet the local eligibility criteria, information about the support which the responsible local authority provides or intends to provide to the young carer to meet those needs,
- (k) if the young carer's identified needs do not meet the local eligibility criteria, information about the support which the responsible local authority provides or intends to provide to the young carer to meet those needs,
- (l) information about whether support should be provided in the form of a break from caring,
- (m) information about the circumstances in which the young carer statement is to be reviewed.
- (2) Each second and subsequent young carer statement must also contain information about the extent to which any support provided under a previous statement has assisted in the achievement of the young carer's identified personal outcomes.
- (3) For the purpose of subsection (1)(a)(ii), the responsible authority is—
  - (a) to assess the wellbeing of a young carer by reference to the extent to which the matters listed in section 96(2) of the 2014 Act are or, as the case may be, would be satisfied in relation to the young carer, and
  - (b) in doing so, to have regard to the guidance issued under section 96(3) of the 2014 Act.
- (4) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make provision about—
  - (a) other information which a young carer statement must (or must not) contain,
  - (b) the form of young carer statements.