

# Children Act 1989

# **1989 CHAPTER 41**

#### PART III

# [F1SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES PROVIDED BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN ENGLAND]

[F1 Personal advisers and pathway plans]

# [F123E Pathway plans.

- (1) In this Part, a reference to a "pathway plan" is to a plan setting out—
  - (a) in the case of a plan prepared under paragraph 19B of Schedule 2—
    - (i) the advice, assistance and support which the local authority intend to provide a child under this Part, both while they are looking after him and later; and
    - (ii) when they might cease to look after him;
  - [ in the case of a plan prepared under section 23CZB, the advice and support that the local authority intend to provide;] and
    - (b) in the case of a plan prepared under section 23B [F3 or 23CA], the advice, assistance and support which the local authority intend to provide under this Part,

and dealing with such other matters (if any) as may be prescribed [F4in regulations made by the Secretary of State].

- [ A local authority may carry out an assessment under section 23CZB(5) of a person's F5(1ZA) needs at the same time as any assessment of the person's needs is made under section 23CA(3).]
- [ A local authority may carry out an assessment under section 23B(3) [F7, 23CZB(5) F6(1A)] or 23CA(3) of a person's needs at the same time as any assessment of his needs is made under—
  - (a) the Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons Act 1970;

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- (b) Part 4 of the Education Act 1996 [F8 or Part 3 of the Children and Families Act 2014] (in the case of an assessment under section 23B(3));
- Part 2 of the Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal (Wales) Act <sup>F9</sup>(ba) 2018;
  - (c) the Disabled Persons (Services, Consultation and Representation) Act 1986;
  - (d) any other enactment.
- (1B ) The [F10]Secretary of State] may by regulations make provision as to assessments for the purposes of section 23B(3) [F11, 23CZB(5)] or 23CA.
- (1C) Regulations under subsection (1B) may in particular make provision about—
  - (a) who is to be consulted in relation to an assessment;
  - (b) the way in which an assessment is to be carried out, by whom and when;
  - (c) the recording of the results of an assessment;
  - (d) the considerations to which a local authority are to have regard in carrying out an assessment.
- (1D) A local authority shall keep each pathway plan prepared by them under section 23B [F12, 23CZB] or 23CA under review.]
  - (2) The [F13Secretary of State] may by regulations make provision about pathway plans and their review.]

## **Textual Amendments**

- F1 Ss. 23D, 23E and cross-heading inserted (1.10.2001) by 2000 c. 35, s. 3; S.I. 2001/2191, art. 2; S.I. 2001/2878, art. 2
- **F2** S. 23E(1)(aa) inserted (1.4.2018) by Children and Social Work Act 2017 (c. 16), **ss. 3(6)**, 70(2); S.I. 2018/346, reg. 4(c)
- F3 Words in s. 23E(1)(b) inserted (1.4.2011 for E., 19.6.2012 for W.) by Children and Young Persons Act 2008 (c. 23), ss. 22(4), 44(4); S.I. 2010/2981, art. 4(g); S.I. 2012/1553, art. 2(a)
- F4 Words in s. 23E(1) inserted (6.4.2016) by The Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2016 (S.I. 2016/413), regs. 2(1), 80(a)
- F5 S. 23E(1ZA) inserted (1.4.2018) by Children and Social Work Act 2017 (c. 16), ss. 3(7), 70(2); S.I. 2018/346, reg. 4(c)
- F6 S. 23E(1A)-(1D) inserted (1.9.2009 for certain purposes for E., 26.4.2010 for certain purposes for W., 1.4.2011 for E. so far as not already in force, 19.6.2012 for W. so far as not already in force) by Children and Young Persons Act 2008 (c. 23), ss. 22(5), 44; S.I. 2009/2273, art. 2(2)(g); S.I. 2010/1329, art. 2(h); S.I. 2010/2981, art. 4(g) (with art. 6)
- F7 Word in s. 23E(1A) inserted (1.4.2018) by Children and Social Work Act 2017 (c. 16), ss. 3(8), 70(2); S.I. 2018/346, reg. 4(c)
- F8 Words in s. 23E(1A)(a) inserted (1.9.2014) by Children and Families Act 2014 (c. 6), s. 139(6), Sch. 3 para. 65(2); S.I. 2014/889, art. 7(a)
- F9 S. 23E(1A)(ba) inserted (1.9.2021) by Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal (Wales) Act 2018 (anaw 2), s. 100(3), Sch. 1 para. 2(2)(b); S.I. 2021/373, art. 8(j)(ii)
- F10 Words in s. 23E(1B) substituted (6.4.2016) by The Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2016 (S.I. 2016/413), regs. 2(1), 80(b)
- **F11** Word in s. 23E(1B) inserted (1.4.2018) by Children and Social Work Act 2017 (c. 16), **ss. 3(9)**, 70(2); S.I. 2018/346, reg. 4(c)
- **F12** Word in s. 23E(1D) inserted (1.4.2018) by Children and Social Work Act 2017 (c. 16), **ss. 3(10)**, 70(2); S.I. 2018/346, reg. 4(c)

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F13 Words in s. 23E(2) substituted (6.4.2016) by The Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2016 (S.I. 2016/413), regs. 2(1), 80(c)

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# Changes and effects yet to be applied to:

- s. 23E(1A)(b) words omitted by 2018 anaw 2 Sch. 1 para. 2(2)(a)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters: Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 4(1A)(aa) inserted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 21(3)
- s. 4(1C) inserted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 21(4)
- s. 4ZA(2)(aa) inserted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 22(3)
- s. 4ZA(3A) inserted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 22(4)
- s. 8(4)(k) inserted by 2021 c. 17 s. 52(1)
- s. 31A(4A) inserted by 2014 c. 6 s. 15(2)(b)