



Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014

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PART 12

SERVICES IN RELATION TO CHILDREN AT RISK OF BECOMING LOOKED AFTER, ETC.

68 Provision of relevant services to parents and others

- (1) A local authority must make arrangements to secure that relevant services of such description as the Scottish Ministers may by order specify are made available for—
 - (a) each eligible child residing in its area,
 - (b) a qualifying person in relation to such a child,
 - (c) each eligible pregnant woman residing in its area,
 - (d) a qualifying person in relation to such a woman.
- (2) A “relevant service” is a service comprising, or comprising any combination of—
 - (a) providing information about a matter,
 - (b) advising or counselling about a matter,
 - (c) taking other action to facilitate the addressing of a matter by a person.
- (3) An “eligible child” is a child who the authority considers—
 - (a) to be at risk of becoming looked after, or
 - (b) to fall within such other description as the Scottish Ministers may by order specify.
- (4) A “qualifying person” in relation to an eligible child is a person—
 - (a) who is related to the child,
 - (b) who has any parental rights or responsibilities in relation to the child, or
 - (c) with whom the child is, or has been, living.
- (5) An “eligible pregnant woman” is a pregnant woman who the authority considers is going to give birth to a child who will be an eligible child.
- (6) A “qualifying person” in relation to an eligible pregnant woman is a person—
 - (a) who is the father of the child to whom the pregnant woman is to give birth,

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- (b) who is married to, in a civil partnership with or otherwise related to the pregnant woman,
 - (c) with whom the pregnant woman is living, or
 - (d) who does not fall within any of paragraphs (a) to (c) but who the authority considers will, when the pregnant woman gives birth to the child, become a qualifying person in relation to the child.
- (7) The references in this section to a person who is related to another person (“the other person”) includes a person who—
- (a) is married to or in a civil partnership with a person who is related to the other person,
 - (b) is related to the other person by the half blood.
- (8) This section is without prejudice to section 22 of the 1995 Act.

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 68 in force at 1.8.2014 for specified purposes by [S.S.I. 2014/131](#), art. 2(2)(3), [Sch.](#)
I2 S. 68 in force at 31.8.2016 in so far as not already in force by [S.S.I. 2016/60](#), [art. 2\(a\)\(ii\)](#)

69 Relevant services: further provision

- (1) The Scottish Ministers may by order make provision about—
- (a) when or how relevant services specified in an order under section 68(1) are to be provided,
 - (b) when or how a local authority is to consider whether a child is within paragraph (a) or (b) of section 68(3),
 - (c) when or how a local authority is to review whether a child continues to be within paragraph (a) or (b) of section 68(3),
 - (d) such other matters about the provision of relevant services specified in an order under section 68(1) as the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.
- (2) An order under subsection (1)(d) may include provision about—
- (a) circumstances in which relevant services specified in an order under section 68(1) may be provided subject to conditions (including conditions as to payment), and
 - (b) consequences of such conditions not being met.

Commencement Information

- I3** S. 69 in force at 1.8.2014 by [S.S.I. 2014/131](#), art. 2(2)(3), [Sch.](#)

70 Interpretation of Part 12

The following expressions have the same meaning in this Part as they have in Part 1 of the 1995 Act—

- parental responsibilities
- parental rights.

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Commencement Information

I4 [S. 70](#) in force at 1.8.2014 by [S.S.I. 2014/131](#), art. 2(2)(3), [Sch.](#)

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