#### WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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# SOCIAL CARE, WALES

The Regulated Services (Penalty Notices) (Wales) Regulations 2019

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The Welsh Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 52(1) and (6) and 187(1) of the Regulation and Inspection of Social Care (Wales) Act 2016 MI, make the following Regulations M2:

#### **Marginal Citations**

**M1** 2016 anaw 2.

M2 See section 189 of the Act for the definition of "prescribed".

## Title and commencement

- 1.—(1) The title of these Regulations is the Regulated Services (Penalty Notices) (Wales) Regulations 2019.
  - (2) These Regulations come into force on 1 July 2019.

## **Commencement Information**

II Reg. 1 in force at 1.7.2019, see reg. 1(2)

#### Interpretation

2. In these Regulations—

"the Act" ("y Ddeddf") means the Regulation and Inspection of Social Care (Wales) Act 2016; "the 2017 Regulations" ("Rheoliadau 2017") means the Regulated Services (Service Providers and Responsible Individuals) (Wales) Regulations 2017 M3;

"the Adoption Services Regulations" ("y Rheoliadau Gwasanaethau Mabwysiadu") means the Regulated Adoption Services (Service Providers and Responsible Individuals) (Wales) Regulations 2019 M4;

"the Adult Placement Services Regulations" ("y Rheoliadau Gwasanaethau Lleoli Oedolion") means the Adult Placement Services (Service Providers and Responsible Individuals) (Wales) Regulations 2019 M5;

"the Advocacy Services Regulations" ("*y Rheoliadau Gwasanaethau Eirioli*") means the Regulated Advocacy Services (Service Providers and Responsible Individuals) (Wales) Regulations 2019 M6;

"the Fostering Services Regulations" ("y Rheoliadau Gwasanaethau Maethu") means the Regulated Fostering Services (Service Providers and Responsible Individuals) (Wales) Regulations 2019 M7;

"offence" ("trosedd") means a prescribed offence;

"payment period" ("cyfnod talu") has the meaning given in regulation 10;

"penalty notice" ("hysbysiad cosb") means a penalty notice given pursuant to section 52 of the Act:

"recipient" ("derbynnydd") means a person to whom a penalty notice is given in accordance with section 52 of the Act;

"service provider ("darparwr gwasanaeth") means a person whose application for registration as provider of a regulated service has been granted under section 7(1) of the Act.

#### **Commencement Information**

**I2** Reg. 2 in force at 1.7.2019, see reg. 1(2)

## **Marginal Citations**

**M3** S.I. 2017/1264 (W. 295).

**M4** S.I. 2019/762 (W. 145).

M5 S.I. 2019/163 (W. 40).

**M6** S.I. 2019/165 (W. 41).

**M7** S.I. 2019/169 (W. 42).

#### Offences under the Act

**3.** An offence committed under section 47 (making false statements) of the Act is prescribed as an offence for the purposes of section 52(1) of that Act. The penalty to be paid is an amount corresponding to two and a half times level 4 on the standard scale  $^{M8}$ .

#### **Commencement Information**

**I3** Reg. 3 in force at 1.7.2019, see reg. 1(2)

## **Marginal Citations**

M8 Seesection 37 of the Criminal Justice Act 1982 (c. 48) ("the 1982 Act"); at the date of the coming into force of these Regulations, level 4 on the standard scale is set at £2,500 (this figure may be increased by virtue of an amendment to the 1982 Act).

**4.** An offence committed under section 48 (failure to submit an annual return) or 49 (failure to provide information) of the Act is prescribed as an offence for the purposes of section 52(1) of that Act. The penalty to be paid is an amount corresponding to level 4 on the standard scale.

#### **Commencement Information**

**I4** Reg. 4 in force at 1.7.2019, see reg. 1(2)

## Offences under the 2017 Regulations

- **5.**—(1) The offences under the provisions of the 2017 Regulations listed in the first column of the table in Schedule 1 are prescribed as offences for the purposes of section 52(1) of the Act.
  - (2) The second column of the table in Schedule 1 contains a description of the prescribed offence.
- (3) The amount of the penalty to be paid for each offence is specified in the third column of the table in Schedule 1.

#### **Commencement Information**

**I5** Reg. 5 in force at 1.7.2019, see reg. 1(2)

#### Offences under the Adoption Services Regulations

- **6.**—(1) The offences under the provisions of the Adoption Services Regulations listed in the first column of the table in Schedule 2 are prescribed as offences for the purposes of section 52(1) of the Act.
  - (2) The second column of the table in Schedule 2 contains a description of the prescribed offence.
- (3) The amount of the penalty to be paid for each offence is specified in the third column of the table in Schedule 2.

#### **Commencement Information**

**I6** Reg. 6 in force at 1.7.2019, see reg. 1(2)

## Offences under the Adult Placement Services Regulations

- 7.—(1) The offences under the provisions of the Adult Placement Services Regulations listed in the first column of the table in Schedule 3 are prescribed as offences for the purposes of section 52(1) of the Act.
  - (2) The second column of the table in Schedule 3 contains a description of the prescribed offence.
- (3) The amount of the penalty to be paid for each offence is specified in the third column of the table in Schedule 3.

#### **Commencement Information**

**I7** Reg. 7 in force at 1.7.2019, see reg. 1(2)

## Offences under the Advocacy Services Regulations

- **8.**—(1) The offences under the provisions of the Advocacy Services Regulations listed in the first column of the table in Schedule 4 are prescribed as offences for the purposes of [FI section 52(1) of the Act].
  - (2) The second column of the table in Schedule 4 contains a description of the prescribed offence.
- (3) The amount of the penalty to be paid for each offence is specified in the third column of the table in Schedule 4.
  - F1 Words in reg. 8(1) substituted (1.7.2019) by The Regulation and Inspection of Social Care (Wales) Act 2016 (Consequential and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/976), regs. 1, 4

#### **Commencement Information**

**18** Reg. 8 in force at 1.7.2019, see reg. 1(2)

## Offences under the Fostering Services Regulations

- **9.**—(1) The offences under the provisions of the Fostering Services Regulations listed in the first column of the table in Schedule 5 are prescribed as offences for the purposes of section 52(1) of the Act.
  - (2) The second column of the table in Schedule 5 contains a description of the prescribed offence.
- (3) The amount of the penalty to be paid for each offence is specified in the third column of the table in Schedule 5.

#### **Commencement Information**

**I9** Reg. 9 in force at 1.7.2019, see reg. 1(2)

## Period for payment of the penalty

- **10.**—(1) The time by which the penalty specified in a penalty notice is to be paid is the end of the period of 28 days beginning with the date of receipt of the notice ("payment period").
- (2) Section 184 of the Act <sup>M9</sup> applies to a penalty notice as it applies to a notice required to be given under the Act.

#### **Commencement Information**

**I10** Reg. 10 in force at 1.7.2019, see reg. 1(2)

#### **Marginal Citations**

M9 Section 184 of the Act (service of documents etc.) specifies that notices may be hand delivered, may be left at a recipient's address, sent by recorded delivery or, if the recipient has agreed to receive it electronically, by being sent electronically to an address provided for that purpose; subsection (8) provides that where a notice is sent by recorded delivery or electronically it is to be taken to have been received 48 hours after it is sent (unless the contrary is shown).

#### Payment of the penalty

- 11.—(1) Payment of the penalty specified in a penalty notice must be made to the Welsh Ministers by the method specified in the notice.
- (2) In any proceedings a certificate purporting to be signed by or on behalf of the Welsh Ministers stating that payment of a penalty was or was not received by the date specified in the certificate is evidence of the facts stated.

#### **Commencement Information**

**I11** Reg. 11 in force at 1.7.2019, see reg. 1(2)

#### Period during which proceedings may not be instituted

**12.** Where a recipient is given a penalty notice, proceedings for the offence to which the notice relates may not be instituted against the recipient before the expiry of the payment period.

#### **Commencement Information**

**I12** Reg. 12 in force at 1.7.2019, see reg. 1(2)

### Withdrawal of penalty notice

- **13.**—(1) The Welsh Ministers may withdraw a penalty notice by giving written notice of the withdrawal to the recipient if—
  - (a) the Welsh Ministers determine that—
    - (i) it ought not to have been given, or
    - (ii) it ought not to have been given to the person named as the recipient; or
  - (b) it appears to the Welsh Ministers that the notice contains material errors.
- (2) A penalty notice may be withdrawn in accordance with paragraph (1) whether or not the payment period has expired, and whether or not the penalty has been paid.
- (3) Where a penalty notice has been withdrawn in accordance with paragraph (1), the Welsh Ministers must repay any amount paid by way of penalty in pursuance of that notice to the person who paid it.
- (4) Except as provided in paragraph (5), no proceedings may be instituted or continued against a recipient for the offence to which the penalty notice relates where the notice has been withdrawn in accordance with paragraph (1).
- (5) Where a penalty notice has been withdrawn under paragraph (1)(b), proceedings may be instituted or continued for the offence in connection with which that penalty notice was given if a further penalty notice in respect of the offence has been given and the penalty has not been paid before the expiry of the payment period.

#### **Commencement Information**

**I13** Reg. 13 in force at 1.7.2019, see reg. 1(2)

### Content of penalty notice

- **14.**—(1) A penalty notice must give such details of the circumstances alleged to constitute the offence as seem to the Welsh Ministers to be reasonably required to give the recipient information about it.
  - (2) A penalty notice must state—
    - (a) the name and address of the recipient;
    - (b) the amount of the penalty;
    - (c) the payment period;
    - (d) that payment within that period will discharge any liability for the offence;
    - (e) the period within which proceedings in respect of the offence to which the notice relates will not be brought;
    - (f) the consequences of the penalty not being paid before the expiry of the period for paying it;
    - (g) the person to whom and the address at which the penalty may be paid and to which any correspondence about the penalty notice may be sent;
    - (h) the means by which payment of the penalty may be made;
    - (i) the grounds on which the penalty notice may be withdrawn.

#### **Commencement Information**

**I14** Reg. 14 in force at 1.7.2019, see reg. 1(2)

#### Records

- 15. The Welsh Ministers must keep a record of any penalty notices given, which must include—
  - (a) a copy of each penalty notice given;
  - (b) a record of all payments made and the dates upon which they were received;
  - (c) details of any penalty notice which was withdrawn and the grounds for its withdrawal;
  - (d) details of whether the recipient was prosecuted for the offence for which the penalty notice was given.

### **Commencement Information**

**I15** Reg. 15 in force at 1.7.2019, see reg. 1(2)

### Revocation

**16.** The Regulated Services (Penalty Notices) (Wales) Regulations 2017 M10 are revoked.

### **Commencement Information**

**I16** Reg. 16 in force at 1.7.2019, see reg. 1(2)

#### **Marginal Citations**

M10 S.I. 2017/1292 (W. 298).

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Regulated Services (Penalty Notices) (Wales) Regulations 2019. (See end of Document for details)

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## SCHEDULE 1

Regulation 5

## Prescribed offences – services regulated under the 2017 Regulations

**Commencement Information** 

II7 Sch. 1 in force at 1.7.2019, see reg. 1(2)			
Provision creating offence	General nature of the offence	Amount of penalty	
Regulation 7(3) and (5) of the 2017 Regulations	Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the statement of purpose	two and a half times level 4 on	
Regulation 11(3) of the 2017 Regulations	Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the financial sustainability of the service		
Regulation 12(1) and (2) of the 2017 Regulations	Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements to have in place specified policies and procedures		
Regulation 19(1), (2) and (3) of the 2017 Regulations	Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the provision of information about the service	two times level 4 on the	
Regulation 20(1) of the 2017 Regulations	Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the provision of a service agreement		
Regulation 35(1) of the 2017 Regulations		An amount corresponding to two and a half times level 4 on the standard scale	
Regulation 38(1) of the 2017 Regulations	Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the provision of information for staff	two times level 4 on the	
Regulation 59(1), (2) and (3) of the 2017 Regulations	Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to records	two times level 4 on the	
Regulation 60(1), (2) and (4) of the 2017 Regulations	Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to notifications	An amount corresponding to two times level 4 on the standard scale	
Regulation 67(1) of the 2017 Regulations	Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the duty of a responsible individual to appoint a manager	two and a half times level 4 on	

2017 Regulations

in relation to the duty of a standard scale responsible individual to report on the adequacy of resources

Regulation 74(1) and (2) of the Contravention of, or failure An amount corresponding to to comply with, requirements two times level 4 on the

Regulations

relation to the making by a standard scale responsible individual of other reports to the service provider

Regulation 75(1) of the 2017 Contravention of, or failure to An amount corresponding to comply with, requirements in two times level 4 on the

Regulations

relation to the preparation by standard scale a responsible individual of a report in respect of a quality of

Regulation 80(4) of the 2017 Contravention of, or failure to An amount corresponding to comply with, requirements in two times level 4 on the

care review

regulator

Regulations

Regulation 81(1) of the 2017 Contravention of, or failure to An amount corresponding to comply with, requirements in two times level 4 on the relation to the preparation by standard scale

a responsible individual of a statement of compliance with the requirements as to standards of care and support

2017 Regulations

in relation to the responsible standard scale individual's duty to make notifications to the service

Regulation 84(1) and (3) of the Contravention of, or failure An amount corresponding to to comply with requirements two times level 4 on the

SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 6

Prescribed offences – regulated adoption services

#### **Commencement Information**

Sch. 2 in force at 1.7.2019, see reg. 1(2)

## Provision creating offence

## General nature of the offence Amount of penalty

Adoption Services Regulations

give notice of revision to the the standard scale statement of purpose

Regulation 5(3) and (5) of the Contravention of, or failure to An amount corresponding to comply with, requirement to two and a half times level 4 on

Services Regulations

Regulation 9(3) of the Adoption Contravention of, or failure to An amount corresponding to comply with, requirement to level 4 on the standard scale provide copy accounts

Regulation 10(1) of the Contravention of, or failure to An amount corresponding to Adoption Services Regulations comply with, requirements to level 4 on the standard scale have in place specified policies and procedures Regulation 13(1), (2) and Contravention of, or failure to An amount corresponding to (3) of the Adoption Services comply with, requirements in two times level 4 on the Regulations relation to the provision of standard scale information about the service 14(1) of the Contravention of, or failure to An amount corresponding to Regulation Adoption Services Regulations comply with, requirements in level 4 on the standard scale relation to the provision of a service agreement Regulation 23(1) of the Contravention of, or failure to An amount corresponding to Adoption Services Regulations comply with, requirements in two and a half times level 4 on relation to the fitness of staff the standard scale Regulation 26(1) the Contravention of, or failure to An amount corresponding to Adoption Services Regulations comply with, requirements in two times level 4 on the relation to the provision of standard scale information for staff Regulation 30(1) and (2) of the Contravention of, or failure to An amount corresponding to Adoption Services Regulations comply with, requirements in two times level 4 on the relation to records standard scale Regulation 31(1), (2), (3) and Contravention of, or failure to An amount corresponding to (5) of the Adoption Services comply with, requirements in two times level 4 on the relation to notifications standard scale Regulations Regulation 36(1) of the Contravention of, or failure An amount corresponding to Adoption Services Regulations to comply with, requirements two and a half times level 4 on in relation to the duty of the standard scale a responsible individual to appoint a manager Regulation 43(1) and (2) of the Contravention of, or failure An amount corresponding to Adoption Services Regulations to comply with, requirements two times level 4 on the in relation to the duty of a standard scale responsible individual to report on the adequacy of resources Regulation 44(1) the Contravention of, or failure to An amount corresponding to of Adoption Services Regulations comply with, requirements in two times level 4 on the relation to the making by a standard scale responsible individual of other reports to the service provider Regulation 49(4) of the Contravention of, or failure to An amount corresponding to comply with, requirements in two times level 4 on the Adoption Services Regulations relation to the preparation by standard scale a responsible individual of a

report in respect of a quality of

service review

Regulation 50(1) of

the Contravention of, or failure to An amount corresponding to Adoption Services Regulations comply with, requirements in two times level 4 on the relation to the preparation by standard scale

a responsible individual of a statement of compliance with the requirements as to standards of support

Regulation 53(1) and (3) of the Contravention of, or failure An amount corresponding to Adoption Services Regulations to comply with requirements two times level 4 on the in relation to the responsible standard scale

individual's duty to make notifications to the service regulator

SCHEDULE 3

Regulation 7

## Prescribed offences – adult placement services

#### **Commencement Information**

**I19** Sch. 3 in force at 1.7.2019, see reg. 1(2)

Provision creating offence	General nature of the offence	Amount of penalty
		An amount corresponding to two and a half times level 4 on the standard scale
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirement to provide copy accounts	An amount corresponding to level 4 on the standard scale
	Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements to have in place specified policies and procedures	An amount corresponding to level 4 on the standard scale
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the provision of a carer agreement	An amount corresponding to level 4 on the standard scale
		An amount corresponding to two times level 4 on the standard scale
		An amount corresponding to two and a half times level 4 on the standard scale

Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the provision of information for staff	two times level 4 on the
Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to records	
Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to notifications	
Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the duty of a responsible individual to appoint a manager	two and a half times level 4 on
Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the duty of a responsible individual to report on the adequacy of resources	two times level 4 on the
Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the making by a responsible individual of other reports to the service provider	two times level 4 on the
Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the preparation by a responsible individual of a report in respect of a quality of care review	two times level 4 on the
Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the preparation by a responsible individual of a statement of compliance with the requirements as to standards of care and support	two times level 4 on the
Contravention of, or failure to comply with requirements in relation to the responsible individual's duty to make notifications to the service regulator	two times level 4 on the

**Commencement Information** 

## SCHEDULE 4

Regulation 8

## Prescribed offences – regulated advocacy services

120 Sch. 4 in force at 1.7.2019, see reg. 1(2)			
Provision creating offence	General nature of the offence	Amount of penalty	
	Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirement to give notice of revision to the statement of purpose	two and a half times level 4 on	
	Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirement to provide copy accounts		
	Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements to have in place specified policies and procedures		
	Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the provision of information about the service	two times level 4 on the	
	Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the fitness of staff	two and a half times level 4 on	
	Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the provision of information for staff	two times level 4 on the	
	Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to records	An amount corresponding to two times level 4 on the standard scale	
	Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to notifications		
	Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the duty of a responsible individual to appoint a manager	two and a half times level 4 on	
	Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the duty of a	two times level 4 on the	

responsible individual to report on the adequacy of resources

Regulation 45(1) of

relation to the making by a standard scale responsible individual of other reports to the service provider

the Contravention of, or failure to An amount corresponding to Advocacy Services Regulations comply with, requirements in two times level 4 on the

Regulation of 50(4)

relation to the preparation by standard scale a responsible individual of a report in respect of a quality of service review

the Contravention of, or failure to An amount corresponding to Advocacy Services Regulations comply with, requirements in two times level 4 on the

of Regulation 51(1)

relation to the preparation by standard scale a responsible individual of a statement of compliance with the requirements as to standards of advocacy

the Contravention of, or failure to An amount corresponding to Advocacy Services Regulations comply with, requirements in two times level 4 on the

in relation to the responsible standard scale individual's duty to make notifications to the service regulator

Regulation 54(1) and (3) of the Contravention of, or failure An amount corresponding to Advocacy Services Regulations to comply with requirements two times level 4 on the

#### SCHEDULE 5

Regulation 9

#### Prescribed offences – regulated fostering services

#### **Commencement Information**

Sch. 5 in force at 1.7.2019, see reg. 1(2)

## Provision creating offence

## General nature of the offence Amount of penalty

Services Regulations

give notice of revision to the the standard scale statement of purpose

Regulation 4(3) of the Fostering Contravention of, or failure to An amount corresponding to comply with, requirement to two and a half times level 4 on

Services Regulations

comply with, requirement to level 4 on the standard scale provide copy accounts

Regulation 8(3) of the Fostering Contravention of, or failure to An amount corresponding to

Services Regulations

Regulation 9(1) of the Fostering Contravention of, or failure to An amount corresponding to comply with, requirements to level 4 on the standard scale have in place specified policies and procedures

Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the provision of information about the service	two times level 4 on the
Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the fitness of staff	two and a half times level 4 on
Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the provision of information for staff	two times level 4 on the
Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to records	
Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to notifications	
Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the duty of a responsible individual to appoint a manager	two and a half times level 4 on
Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the duty of a responsible individual to report on the adequacy of resources	two times level 4 on the
Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the making by a responsible individual of other reports to the service provider	two times level 4 on the
Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the preparation by a responsible individual of a report in respect of a quality of care review	two times level 4 on the
Contravention of, or failure to comply with, requirements in relation to the preparation by a responsible individual of a statement of compliance with the requirements as to standards of care and support	two times level 4 on the
Contravention of, or failure to comply with requirements in relation to the removable	two times level 4 on the

in relation to the responsible standard scale

individual's duty to make notifications to the Welsh Ministers

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

Part 1 of the Regulation and Inspection of Social Care (Wales) Act 2016 ("the Act") establishes a new system of regulation and inspection of social care services in Wales, which replaces the system that was established under the Care Standards Act 2000.

Section 2 of and Schedule 1 to the Act specify the services which are "regulated services" for the purposes of the Act. These are a care home service, a secure accommodation service, a residential family centre service, an adoption service, a fostering service, and adult placement service, an advocacy service and a domiciliary support service.

Under section 3(1)(c) of the Act, a person who is registered to provide a regulated service is referred to as a "service provider". Regulations made under section 27 of the Act impose requirements on service providers in respect of the regulated services they provide. Section 6 of the Act requires a service provider to designate an individual as the "responsible individual" in respect of each place at, from, or in relation to which a regulated service is to be provided. Regulations made under section 28 of the Act impose requirements on the responsible individual in relation to the regulated services for which they are responsible.

Section 45 of the Act enables the Welsh Ministers to make regulations providing that it is an offence for a service provider to fail to comply with a specified provision of regulations made under section 27. Under section 46 of the Act, the Welsh Ministers may also make regulations providing that it is an offence for a responsible individual to fail to comply with a specified provision of regulations made under section 28 of the Act.

The Regulated Services (Service Providers and Responsible Individuals (Wales) Regulations 2017 ("the 2017 Regulations") provide that it is an offence for service providers and designated responsible individuals of regulated care home services, secure accommodation services, residential family centre services and domiciliary support services to fail to comply with any of the provisions specified in regulations 85 and 86 respectively of those Regulations.

The Regulated Adoption Services (Service Providers and Responsible Individuals) (Wales) Regulations 2019 ("the Adoption Services Regulations") provide that it is an offence for service providers and designated responsible individuals of regulated adoption services to fail to comply with any of the provisions specified in regulations 54 and 55 respectively of those Regulations.

The Adult Placement Services (Service Providers and Responsible Individuals) (Wales) Regulations 2019 ("the Adult Placement Services Regulations") provide that it is an offence for service providers and designated responsible individuals of regulated adult placement services to fail to comply with any of the provisions specified in regulations 64 and 65 respectively of those Regulations.

The Regulated Advocacy Services (Service Providers and Responsible Individuals) (Wales) Regulations 2019 ("the Advocacy Services Regulations") provide that it is an offence for service providers and designated responsible individuals of regulated advocacy services to fail to comply with any of the provisions specified in regulations 55 and 56 respectively of those Regulations. The Regulated Fostering Services (Service Providers and Responsible Individuals) (Wales) Regulations 2019 ("the Fostering Services Regulations") provide that it is an offence for service

providers and designated responsible individuals of regulated fostering services to fail to comply with any of the provisions specified in regulations 68 and 69 respectively of those Regulations. Section 52(1) of the Act gives the Welsh Ministers the power to give a penalty notice to a person instead of bringing proceedings for an offence, but only in relation to those offences that are prescribed in regulations. Under section 52(2), only offences under sections 47 (false statements), 48 (failure to submit annual return) or 49 (failure to provide information) or under regulations made under sections 45 or 46 of the Act may be so prescribed.

These Regulations prescribe the offences for which a penalty notice may be given to a person instead of proceedings being brought in relation to the offence.

Regulations 3 and 4 prescribe the offences in the Act in respect of which the Welsh Ministers may give a penalty notice to a person. These Regulations also specify the amount of the penalty payable in respect of each of the prescribed offences.

The amount of the penalty payable in respect of each of the offences prescribed in these Regulations is expressed as multiples of the amount corresponding to level 4 on the standard scale (and range between multiples of one to two and a half times).

Regulation 5 and the first column in the table in Schedule 1 prescribe the offences in the 2017 Regulations in respect of which the Welsh Ministers may give a penalty notice to the service provider or designated responsible individual. The second and third columns contain a description of the prescribed offence and the amount of the penalty payable in respect of each offence. Regulation 6 and the first column in the table in Schedule 2 prescribe the offences in the Adoption Services Regulations for which the Welsh Ministers may give a penalty notice to the service provider or designated responsible individual. The second and third columns contain a description of the prescribed offence and the amount of the penalty payable in respect of each offence. Regulation 7 and the first column in the table in Schedule 3 prescribe the offences in the Adult Placement Services Regulations for which the Welsh Ministers may give a penalty notice to the service provider or designated responsible individual. The second and third columns contain a description of the prescribed offence and the amount of the penalty payable in respect of each offence.

Regulation 8 and the first column in the table in Schedule 4 prescribe the offences in the Advocacy Services Regulations for which the Welsh Ministers may give a penalty notice to the service provider or designated responsible individual. The second and third columns contain a description of the prescribed offence and the amount of the penalty payable in respect of each offence

Regulation 9 and the first column in the table in Schedule 5 prescribe the offences in the Fostering Services Regulations for which the Welsh Ministers may give a penalty notice to the service provider or designated responsible individual. The second and third columns contain a description of the prescribed offence and the amount of the penalty payable in respect of each offence. Regulations 10 and 11 make provision about the time by which a penalty notice must be paid and specify the way in which a payment may be made.

Regulation 12 makes provision about the period during which proceedings may not be instituted for the offence to which the penalty notice relates.

Regulation 13 makes provision about the circumstances in which a penalty notice, once given, may be withdrawn, the consequences of such withdrawal, and specifies when proceedings may be instituted or continued in respect of the offence to which the penalty notice relates.

Regulation 14 sets out the requirements for the content of a penalty notice.

Regulation 15 sets out the record-keeping requirements of the Welsh Ministers in respect of any penalty notice that is given.

Regulation 16 revokes the Regulated Services (Penalty Notices) (Wales) Regulations 2017. The Welsh Ministers' Code of Practice on the carrying on of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to these Regulations. As a result, a regulatory impact assessment has been prepared as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with these Regulations. A copy can be obtained from the Department of Health and Social Services, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ.

Changes to legislation:
There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Regulated Services (Penalty Notices) (Wales) Regulations 2019.