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The Looked After Children (Scotland) Regulations 2009

PART IX

LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN PLACED IN RESIDENTIAL ESTABLISHMENTS

Child placed in a residential establishment: notification

34.—(1) Where a local authority place a child who is looked after by them in terms of section 17(6) of the 1995 Act in a residential establishment they must, as soon as reasonably practicable, provide notification of the placement to—

- (a) the local authority for the area in which the residential establishment is located if different from the authority making the placement;
- (b) the Health Board which provides services in the area in which the residential establishment is located;
- (c) each parent of the child; and
- (d) any person with any parental responsibilities or parental rights in relation to the child.

(2) The requirement under paragraph (1)(c) does not apply in respect of any parent or person with parental responsibilities or parental rights who has already received a written copy of the child's care plan under regulation 5.

(3) Notification under paragraph (1)(c) and (d) must not be given to a person—

- (a) where the local authority are of the view that, taking into account their duties under section 17 of the 1995 Act, it would not be in the child's interests for notification to be given to that particular person;
- (b) where a permanence order, a supervision requirement or an order or warrant granted under Part II of the 1995 Act specifies that the place at which the child is to reside must not be disclosed to that particular person.

(4) In this regulation "notification" means notification in writing and shall include particulars of the placement.

Child placed in residential establishment: information to be supplied

35. Where a local authority place a child who is looked after by them in terms of section 17(6) of the 1995 Act in a residential establishment, that authority must—

- (a) provide the person in charge of the residential establishment with—
 - (i) written information about the child's background, educational needs, health and mental and emotional development; and
 - (ii) any other information which the local authority consider relevant to the placement including the views of the child having regard to the child's age and maturity;
- (b) agree with the person in charge of the residential establishment arrangements for—

- (i) ensuring that the child's welfare is safeguarded and promoted;
- (ii) ensuring that the child receives such provision for their development and control as is conducive to their best interests;
- (iii) contact between the child and their family; and
- (iv) ensuring that the child receives adequate and efficient education.