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The Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011 (Rules of Procedure in Children's Hearings) Rules 2013

PART 15

Procedure at grounds hearing and children's hearings to which section 119 (children's hearing following deferral or proceedings under Part 10) or 137 (duty to arrange children's hearing) of the Act applies

Procedure where section 91(1) (grounds accepted: powers of grounds hearing), 119(1) (children's hearing following deferral or proceedings under Part 10), or 138(1) (powers of children's hearing on review) of the Act applies

- **60.**—(1) This rule applies where section 91(1), 119(1) or 138(1) of the Act apply.
- (2) The chairing member—
 - (a) must inform those present at the hearing of the substance of any relevant report or other relevant document;
 - (b) must take all reasonable steps to obtain the views of the child, each relevant person and any appointed safeguarder in relation to—
 - (i) any relevant report, document or matter being considered by the hearing; and
 - (ii) what, if any, measures would be in the best interests of the child;
 - (c) may invite any other person present at the hearing, as the children's hearing considers appropriate, to express their views on, or provide any other information relevant to, any matter or action being considered by the hearing.
- (3) Where the children's hearing has been given an interim report and statement prepared by the safeguarder under these Rules the hearing must consider that interim report and statement.
- (4) After considering the interim report and statement the children's hearing may set a further date up to a maximum of 35 days for the provision of the report from the safeguarder and defer making a decision on whether to make a compulsory supervision order until a subsequent children's hearing.