

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 4

Regulation 24

Matters to be taken into account when assessing the suitability of a connected person to care for C

1. In respect of the connected person—
 - (a) the nature and quality of any existing relationship with C,
 - (b) their capacity to care for children and in particular in relation to C to—
 - (i) provide for C’s physical needs and appropriate medical and dental care,
 - (ii) protect C adequately from harm or danger including from any person who presents a risk of harm to C,
 - (iii) ensure that the accommodation and home environment is suitable with regard to the age and developmental stage of C,
 - (iv) promote C’s learning and development, and
 - (v) provide a stable family environment which will promote secure attachments for C, including promoting positive contact with P and other connected persons, unless to do this is not consistent with the duty to safeguard and promote C’s welfare,
 - (c) their state of health including their physical, emotional and mental health and medical history including any current or past issues of domestic violence, substance misuse or mental health problems,
 - (d) their family relationships and the composition of their household, including particulars of—
 - (i) the identity of all other members of the household, including their age and the nature of their relationship with the connected person and with each other, including any sexual relationship,
 - (ii) any relationship with any person who is a parent of C,
 - (iii) any relationship between C and other members of the household
 - (iv) other adults not being members of the household who are likely to have regular contact with C, and
 - (v) any current or previous domestic violence between members of the household, including the connected person,
 - (e) their family history, including—
 - (i) particulars of their childhood and upbringing including the strengths and difficulties of their parents or other persons who cared for them,
 - (ii) their relationships with their parents and siblings, and their relationships with each other,
 - (iii) their educational achievement and any specific learning difficulty or disability,
 - (iv) a chronology of significant life events, and
 - (v) particulars of other relatives and their relationships with C and the connected person,

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- (f) particulars of any criminal offences of which they have been convicted or in respect of which they have been cautioned,
- (g) their past and present employment and other sources of income, and
- (h) the nature of the neighbourhood in which their home is situated and resources available in the community to support C and the connected person.