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WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2015 No. 1357**

**The Safeguarding Boards (General) (Wales) Regulations 2015**

**Title, Commencement and Application**

1.—(1) The title of these Regulations is the Safeguarding Boards (General) (Wales) Regulations 2015.

(2) These Regulations come into force on 6 April 2016.

(3) These Regulations apply in relation to Wales.

**Interpretation**

2. In these Regulations—

“the Act” (“*y Ddeddf*”) means the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014;

“annual plan” (“*cynllun blynyddol*”) means the plan published by a Safeguarding Board under section 136(1) of the Act;

“annual report” means (“*adroddiad blynyddol*”) the report published by a Safeguarding Board under section 136(2) of the Act;

“National Board” (“*Bwrdd Cenedlaethol*”) means the National Independent Safeguarding Board established by section 132(1) of the Act;

“principal local government area” (“*prif ardal llywodraeth leol*”) means a principal local government area as set out in Parts I and II of Schedule 4 to the Local Government Act 1972;

“Safeguarding Board” (“*Bwrdd Diogelu*”) means a Safeguarding Children Board(1) or a Safeguarding Adults Board(2);

“Safeguarding Board partner” (“*partner Bwrdd Diogelu*”) is to be construed in accordance with section 134(2) and section 134(6)(b) of the Act.

**Safeguarding Board Areas**

3. The areas in Wales for which there are to be Safeguarding Boards are the principal local government areas set out in column 2 of the table set out in Schedule 1, designated by the name opposite in column 1.

**Lead Partners**

4.—(1) The Welsh Ministers specify the Safeguarding Board partner shown in column 2 of the table set out in Schedule 2 as the lead partner in relation to children for the area shown opposite in column 1.

(2) The Welsh Ministers specify the Safeguarding Board partner shown in column 3 of the table set out in Schedule 2 as the lead partner in relation to adults for the area shown opposite in column 1.

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(1) Safeguarding Children Boards are established by the Safeguarding Board lead partner in relation to children for the area in accordance with section 134(4) of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 (“the Act”).

(2) Safeguarding Adults Boards are established by the lead partner in relation to adults in accordance with section 134(5) of the Act.

### **Annual plans**

5. A Safeguarding Board's annual plan must include the following information —
- (a) a list of the members of the Safeguarding Board;
  - (b) any particular outcomes the Safeguarding Board proposes to achieve;
  - (c) a summary of any improvement the Safeguarding Board proposes to make to enable it better to fulfil its objectives;
  - (d) the amount of expenditure which the Safeguarding Board partners agree the Safeguarding Board is likely to incur in order to achieve its objectives;
  - (e) a description of how the Safeguarding Board proposes to collaborate with other persons or bodies engaged in activities relating to its objectives;
  - (f) when and how the Safeguarding Board will give children and adults who are, or may be, affected by the exercise of its functions, the opportunity to participate in its work.

### **Annual reports**

- 6.—(1) A Safeguarding Board's annual report must include the information set out in Schedule 3
- (2) As far as practicable the report is to follow the form of the Safeguarding Board's most recent annual plan.

### **Publication of annual plans and annual reports**

7. A Safeguarding Board must—
- (a) make its current annual plan and annual report publicly available,
  - (b) make available on request a copy of any of its past annual plans and annual reports,
  - (c) send its current annual plan and annual report to the National Board.

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