



Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011

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PART 8

PRE-HEARING PANEL

81 Determination of claim that person be deemed a relevant person

- (1) This section applies where a matter mentioned in section 79(2)(a) (a “relevant person claim”) is referred to a meeting of a pre-hearing panel.
- (2) Where the relevant person claim is referred along with any other matter, the pre-hearing panel must ^[F1], unless that other matter is a matter mentioned in section 79(5A) (a)] determine the relevant person claim before determining the other matter.
- (3) The pre-hearing panel must deem the individual to be a relevant person if it considers that the individual has (or has recently had) a significant involvement in the upbringing of the child.
- (4) Where the pre-hearing panel deems the individual to be a relevant person, the individual is to be treated as a relevant person for the purposes of Parts 7 to 15, 17 and 18 in so far as they relate to—
 - (a) the children's hearing,
 - (b) any subsequent children's hearing under Part 11,
 - (c) any pre-hearing panel held in connection with a children's hearing mentioned in paragraph (a), (b) or (e),
 - (d) any compulsory supervision order, interim compulsory supervision order, medical examination order, or warrant to secure attendance made by—
 - (i) a hearing mentioned in paragraph (a) or (b),
 - (ii) the sheriff in any court proceedings falling within paragraph (f),
 - (e) any children's hearing held for the purposes of reviewing a compulsory supervision order falling within paragraph (d),
 - (f) any court proceedings held in connection with a hearing mentioned in paragraph (a), (b) or (e),
 - (g) any court proceedings held in connection with an order or warrant falling within paragraph (d),
 - (h) the implementation of an order or warrant falling within paragraph (d).

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- (5) The Scottish Ministers may by order—
- (a) amend subsection (3),
 - (b) in consequence of provision made under paragraph (a), make such other amendments as appear to the Scottish Ministers to be necessary or expedient to—
 - (i) section 43,
 - (ii) section 48,
 - (iii) section 51,
 - (iv) this section,
 - [^{F2}(iva) section 81A,]
 - (v) section 142.
- (6) An order under subsection (5) is subject to the affirmative procedure.
- (7) Where, by virtue of section 80(3), the children's hearing is to determine the relevant person claim, references in subsections (2) to (4) (other than paragraph (c) of subsection (4)) to the pre-hearing panel are to be read as references to the children's hearing.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 81(2) inserted (26.1.2015) by [Children and Young People \(Scotland\) Act 2014 \(asp 8\)](#), s. 102(3), [Sch. 5 para. 12\(3\)\(a\)](#); S.S.I. 2014/353, art. 2(2)(3), Sch.
- F2** S. 81(5)(b)(iva) inserted (26.1.2015) by [Children and Young People \(Scotland\) Act 2014 \(asp 8\)](#), s. 102(3), [Sch. 5 para. 12\(3\)\(b\)](#); S.S.I. 2014/353, art. 2(2)(3), Sch.

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 81 in force at 24.6.2013 by [S.S.I. 2013/195](#), [arts. 2, 3](#)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- Pt. 17A inserted by [2020 asp 16 s. 6\(2\)](#)
- s. 25(3) inserted by [2020 asp 16 s. 30\(7\)](#)
- s. 27(3)-(4A) substituted for s. 27(3)(4) by [2020 asp 16 s. 3\(2\)](#)
- s. 62(5)(q)-(u) inserted by [2020 asp 9 s. 8\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 163(2)-(2B) substituted for s. 163(2) by [2020 asp 16 s. 27\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 164(2)-(2B) substituted for s. 164(2) by [2020 asp 16 s. 27\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 165(2)-(2B) substituted for s. 165(2) by [2020 asp 16 s. 27\(5\)\(b\)](#)