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## 2010 CHAPTER 13

### PART 1

#### SOCIAL SECURITY

##### *Miscellaneous*

PROSPECTIVE

#### **Jobseekers' agreements and action plans: well-being of children**

**25.—**(1) In Article 11 of the Jobseekers Order (the jobseeker's agreement), after paragraph (4) insert—

“(4A) In preparing a jobseeker's agreement for a claimant, the officer must have regard (so far as practicable) to its impact on the well-being of any child who may be affected by it.”.

(2) In section 14 of the Welfare Reform Act (employment and support allowance: action plans in connection with work-focused interviews) at the end add—

“(5) In preparing any [<sup>F1</sup>claimant commitment or] action plan, [<sup>F1</sup>the Department or] the Department for Employment and Learning must have regard (so far as practicable) to its impact on the well-being of any person under the age of 16 who may be affected by it.”.

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#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1** Words in s. 25(2) inserted (2.5.2016 for specified purposes) by [The Welfare Reform \(Northern Ireland\) Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/2006\)](#), arts. 2(2), **60(7)**; [S.R. 2016/215](#), art. 2(3)(b)

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- s. 25(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) Sch. 7 para. 14\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 25(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) Sch. 7 para. 14\(2\)\(b\)](#)