



Children and Social Work Act 2017

2017 CHAPTER 16

PART 1

CHILDREN

CHAPTER 2

SAFEGUARDING OF CHILDREN

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After section 16D of the Children Act 2004 (inserted by section 15 of this Act) insert—

“Safeguarding partners for local authority areas

16E Local arrangements for safeguarding and promoting welfare of children

- (1) The safeguarding partners for a local authority area in England must make arrangements for—
 - (a) the safeguarding partners, and
 - (b) any relevant agencies that they consider appropriate,to work together in exercising their functions, so far as the functions are exercised for the purpose of safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children in the area.
- (2) The arrangements must include arrangements for the safeguarding partners to work together to identify and respond to the needs of children in the area.
- (3) In this section—

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

“relevant agency”, in relation to a local authority area in England, means a person who—

- (a) is specified in regulations made by the Secretary of State, and
- (b) exercises functions in that area in relation to children;

“safeguarding partner”, in relation to a local authority area in England, means—

- (a) the local authority;
- (b) a clinical commissioning group for an area any part of which falls within the local authority area;
- (c) the chief officer of police for a police area any part of which falls within the local authority area.”