
WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Local Authority Fostering Services (Wales) Regulations 2018

PART 4

Requirements on local authority providers as to
the standard of care and support to be provided

Standards of care and support to children

13. The local authority provider must ensure that foster parents give care and support to a child placed with them—

- (a) in accordance with the child's care and support plan, and
- (b) in a way which maintains, protects and promotes the safety and well-being of the child.

Information for children

14.—(1) The local authority provider must put arrangements in place to ensure that children have the information they need to make and participate in day to day decisions about the way care and support is provided to them and how they are supported to achieve their personal outcomes.

(2) Information provided must be available in an appropriate language, style, presentation and format for children of all ages.

(3) The local authority provider must put arrangements in place to ensure that children receive such support as is necessary to enable them to understand the information provided.

Compliance with foster care agreement

15. The local authority provider must monitor the foster parents' compliance with the requirements of the foster care agreement.

Language and communication

16.—(1) The local authority provider must ensure that the language needs of children are met.

(2) The local authority provider must ensure that children are provided with access to such aids and equipment as may be necessary to facilitate their communication with others.

Respect and sensitivity

17.—(1) The local authority provider must put arrangements in place to ensure that children placed by the provider are treated with respect and sensitivity.

(2) This includes, but is not limited to—

- (a) respecting the child's privacy and dignity,

- (b) respecting the child's rights to confidentiality,
- (c) promoting the child's autonomy and independence, and
- (d) having regard to any relevant protected characteristics (as defined in section 4 of the Equality Act 2010 ^{F1}) of the child.

F1 2010 c. 15.

Duty to promote contact

18. The local authority provider must ensure foster parents promote contact between a child placed with them and the child's parents, relatives and friends, in accordance with the child's care and support plan and any court order relating to contact.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Local Authority Fostering Services (Wales) Regulations 2018, PART 4.