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PART 2

ADULT CARER SUPPORT PLANS AND YOUNG CARER STATEMENTS

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YOUNG CARER STATEMENTS

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- (1) In this Act a “young carer statement” means a statement prepared by a responsible authority setting out—
 - (a) a young carer’s identified personal outcomes,
 - (b) a young carer’s identified needs (if any), and
 - (c) the support (if any) to be provided by the responsible local authority to a young carer to meet those needs.
- (2) If a responsible authority identifies a person as a young carer, the responsible authority must offer the person a young carer statement.
- (3) The responsible authority must prepare a young carer statement in relation to a person if—
 - (a) the person accepts an offer under subsection (2), or
 - (b) subsection (4) applies.
- (4) This subsection applies if a person who appears to the responsible authority to be a young carer requests a young carer statement.
- (5) Subsection (3) applies whether or not the young carer requires a child’s plan in accordance with section 33 of the 2014 Act.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (6) Where the responsible authority, in relation to a young carer, is not the responsible local authority, the responsible authority must not provide the young carer statement to the young carer without the approval of the responsible local authority.
- (7) A responsible authority must exercise its functions under this section in a manner which encourages equal opportunities and in particular the observance of the equal opportunity requirements (within the meaning of Section L2 of Part 2 of schedule 5 of the Scotland Act 1998).
- (8) For the purposes of this Chapter—
 - “responsible authority” has the meaning given by sections 19 and 20,
 - “responsible local authority” means the local authority for the area in which the cared-for person resides.