

## Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act 2004

Establishment of additional support needs and need for co-ordinated support plan

## 6 Children and young persons for whom education authority are responsible

- (1) Every education authority must make such arrangements as they consider appropriate for identifying—
  - (a) from among the children and young persons for whose school education they are responsible—
    - (i) those who have additional support needs, and
    - (ii) those having additional support needs who require a co-ordinated support plan, and
  - (b) the particular additional support needs of the children and young persons so identified.
- (2) Where an education authority receive from a person specified in subsection (3) a request to establish whether any child or young person for whose school education the authority are responsible—
  - (a) has additional support needs, or
  - (b) requires a co-ordinated support plan,

the authority must, in accordance with the arrangements made by them under subsection (1), comply with the request unless the request is unreasonable.

- (3) The persons referred to in subsection (2) are—
  - (a) in the case of a child, the child's parent,
  - (b) in the case of a young person—
    - (i) the young person, or
    - (ii) if the authority are satisfied that the young person lacks capacity to make the request, the young person's parent.
- (4) Where, in pursuance of a request referred to in subsection (2), an education authority establish that a child or young person has additional support needs, the authority must inform the person who made the request of that fact.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (5) Subsection (6) applies where a child or young person for whose school education an education authority are responsible comes to the attention of the authority as—
  - (a) having, or appearing to have, additional support needs, or
  - (b) having such needs and requiring, or appearing to require, a co-ordinated support plan.
- (6) Where this subsection applies, the education authority must, in accordance with the arrangements made by them under subsection (1), establish whether the child or young person does have additional support needs or, as the case may be, require a coordinated support plan, unless the authority consider it unreasonable to do so.
- (7) Subsections (2) and (6) are without prejudice to subsection (1).