
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**The Arrangements for Placement of Children
(General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996**

Health requirements

7.—(1) A responsible authority shall, so far as is reasonably practicable before a placement is made, and if that is not reasonably practicable, as soon as practicable after the placement is made—

- (a) ensure that arrangements are made for the child to be examined by a medical practitioner; and
- (b) require the medical practitioner who has carried out the examination to make a written assessment of the state of health of the child and his need for health care,

unless the child has been so examined and such assessment has been made within a period of 3 months immediately preceding the placement or the child is of sufficient understanding and he refuses to submit to the examination.

(2) During the placement of the child the responsible authority shall ensure that arrangements are made for the child to be provided with health services, including medical and dental care and treatment.