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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2008 No. 427**

**Juvenile Justice Centre Rules (Northern Ireland) 2008**

**PART 3**

**CARE AND PROTECTION OF CHILDREN**

**Initial interview and assessments**

**15.**—(1) The director shall interview a child at the time of reception and in any case within 24 hours and shall ensure that any relevant matters or concerns are noted and dealt with appropriately.

(2) Subject to the period of detention of a child a range of assessments shall be undertaken which shall include:—

- (a) a risk assessment within 24 hours;
- (b) an initial health assessment by the healthcare officer within 24 hours and an assessment by a doctor within 7 days;
- (c) an education assessment; and
- (d) an assessment of need.

(3) Based on these assessments a plan shall be prepared for the management and care of a child in custody.

(4) Such assessments and plans shall be kept under review on a timely basis.

(5) The preparation and reviewing of a plan prepared under paragraph (3) shall be undertaken in consultation as appropriate with:—

- (a) the child;
- (b) the other statutory or voluntary agencies and, in particular, those responsible for the child's supervision under a juvenile justice centre order; and
- (c) the child's parent.

(6) The director shall nominate a member of staff to prepare, supervise and review the care plan of each child and to carry out the consultation referred to in paragraph (5).

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**Commencement Information**

**II** Rule 15 in operation at 12.11.2008, see [rule 1](#)

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Juvenile Justice Centre Rules (Northern Ireland) 2008, Section 15.