

STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2005 No. 691

The Adoption Support Services Regulations 2005

PART 4

ASSESSMENTS AND PLANS

Procedure for assessment

14.—(1) Where the local authority carry out an assessment of a person’s needs for adoption support services they must have regard to such of the following considerations as are relevant to the assessment—

- (a) the needs of the person being assessed and how these might be met;
- (b) the needs of the adoptive family and how these might be met;
- (c) the needs, including developmental needs, of the adoptive child and how these might be met;
- (d) the parenting capacity of the adoptive parent;
- (e) wider family and environmental factors;
- (f) in the case of a child who is, or was, placed for adoption or matched for adoption, the circumstances that led to the child being so placed or matched; and
- (g) any previous assessment of needs for adoption support services undertaken in relation to the person in question.

(2) In paragraph (1) “adoptive family” means the family consisting of the adoptive child, the adoptive parents and any other child of the adoptive parents (whether or not adopted).

(3) The local authority must—

- (a) where they consider it appropriate to do so, interview the person and, where the person is an adoptive child, his adoptive parents; and
- (b) prepare a written report of the assessment.

(4) Where it appears to the local authority that the person may have a need for services from [^{F1}an integrated care board], [^{F2}NHS England], a Local Health Board or [^{F3}another local authority], the local authority shall, as part of the assessment, consult [^{F4}that [^{F5}body]].

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in Regulations substituted (1.7.2022) by [The Health and Care Act 2022 \(Consequential and Related Amendments and Transitional Provisions\) Regulations 2022 \(S.I. 2022/634\)](#), reg. 1(2), Sch. para. 1(1)(3) (with Sch. para. 1(2))
- F2** Words in Regulations substituted (6.11.2023) by [The Health and Care Act 2022 \(Further Consequential Amendments\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2023 \(S.I. 2023/1071\)](#), reg. 1(1), [Sch. para. 1](#)

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Adoption Support Services Regulations 2005, Section 14. (See end of Document for details)*

- F3** Words in reg. 14(4) substituted (5.5.2010) by [The Local Education Authorities and Children's Services Authorities \(Integration of Functions\) \(Local and Subordinate Legislation\) Order 2010 \(S.I. 2010/1172\)](#), art. 1(1), **Sch. 3 para. 55(4)(a)**
- F4** Words in reg. 14(4) substituted (1.4.2013) by [The National Treatment Agency \(Abolition\) and the Health and Social Care Act 2012 \(Consequential, Transitional and Saving Provisions\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/235\)](#), art. 1(2), **Sch. 2 para. 81(4)(b)**
- F5** Word in reg. 14(4) substituted (1.7.2022) by [The Health and Care Act 2022 \(Consequential and Related Amendments and Transitional Provisions\) Regulations 2022 \(S.I. 2022/634\)](#), regs. 1(2), **20(3)**

Commencement Information

- I1** Reg. 14 in force at 30.12.2005, see [reg. 1\(1\)](#)

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