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The Regulated Services (Service Providers and Responsible Individuals) (Wales) Regulations 2017

PART 9

Requirements on service providers which only apply where accommodation is provided

Access to health and other services

33.—(1) This regulation applies to a service provider in respect of a care home service, a secure accommodation service or a residential family centre service which the provider is registered to provide.

(2) A service provider to whom this regulation applies must put arrangements in place for individuals—

- (a) to be registered with a general practitioner,
- (b) to be placed under the care of a registered dental practitioner,
- (c) to be able to access treatment, advice and other services from any health care professional as necessary, and
- (d) to be supported to access such services.

(3) In the case of a care home service which provides accommodation wholly or mainly for children or in the case of secure accommodation service, the service provider must designate a member of staff to be the “link worker” for each child and must ensure that—

- (a) a child’s link worker participates in any review involving consideration of the child’s educational progress, whether conducted under regulations made under section 102 of the 2014 Act, the Care Planning, Placement and Case Review (Wales) Regulations 2015 or otherwise;
- (b) a child’s link worker participates in any review involving consideration of any aspect of a child’s health, whether conducted under regulations made under section 102 of the 2014 Act, the Care Planning, Placement and Case Review (Wales) Regulations 2015, or otherwise.

(4) In paragraph (3) of this regulation “link worker” means a staff member of a care home service for children who is of appropriate seniority with particular responsibility for protecting and promoting the health and educational welfare of an individual child and for liaison with education and health care providers on that child’s behalf.