

WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2019 No. 163

The Adult Placement Services (Service Providers and Responsible Individuals) (Wales) Regulations 2019

PART 9

Requirements on service providers as to adult placement carers

Recruitment and training of adult placement carers

33.—(1) The service provider must have policies and procedures in place for the recruitment and training of adult placement carers.

(2) The service provider must put arrangements in place to ensure that adult placement carers receive adequate training so as to assist them to provide high quality care and support for individuals in accordance with the personal plan and to support each individual to achieve their personal outcomes.

Commencement Information

I1 [Reg. 33](#) in force at 29.4.2019, see [reg. 1\(2\)](#)

Effective relationships

34. The service provider must—

- (a) maintain good professional relationships with an adult placement carer; and
- (b) encourage and assist an adult placement carer to maintain good personal relationships with individuals.

Commencement Information

I2 [Reg. 34](#) in force at 29.4.2019, see [reg. 1\(2\)](#)

Support and information for adult placement carers

35. The service provider must put arrangements in place to ensure that an adult placement carer has the information they need to provide care and support to individuals to achieve their personal outcomes.

Commencement Information

I3 [Reg. 35](#) in force at 29.4.2019, see [reg. 1\(2\)](#)

Fitness of adult placement carers

36.—(1) The service provider must not enter into a carer agreement with an adult placement carer unless the carer is fit to be a carer.

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1), a person is not fit to be an adult placement carer unless—

- (a) the person is of suitable integrity and good character;
- (b) the person has the qualifications, skills, competence and experience necessary for the work he or she is to perform;
- (c) the person is able by reason of their health, after reasonable adjustments are made, of properly performing the tasks which are intrinsic to the work for which he or she is engaged;
- (d) the person has provided full and satisfactory information or documentation, as the case may be, in respect of each of the matters specified in Schedule 1 and this information or documentation is available from the service provider for inspection by the service regulator.

(3) The certificate referred to in paragraphs 2 and 3 of Schedule 1 (referred to in this regulation as a DBS certificate) must be applied for by, or on behalf of the service provider, for the purpose of assessing the suitability of a person to be an adult placement carer. But this requirement does not apply if the adult placement carer is registered with the Disclosure and Barring Service update service (referred to in this regulation as the DBS update service).

(4) Where a person being considered to be an adult placement carer is registered with the DBS update service, the service provider must check the person's DBS certificate status for the purpose of assessing the suitability of that person to be an adult placement carer.

(5) Where a person approved to be an adult placement carer is registered with the DBS update service, the service provider must check the person's DBS certificate status at least annually.

(6) Where a person approved to be an adult placement carer is not registered with the DBS update service, the service provider must apply for a new DBS certificate in respect of that person within three years of the issue of the certificate applied for in accordance with paragraph (3) and thereafter further such applications must be made at least every three years.

(7) If an adult placement carer is no longer fit to be an adult placement carer as a result of one or more of the requirements in paragraph (2) not being met, the service provider must—

- (a) take necessary and proportionate action to ensure that the relevant requirements are complied with;
- (b) where appropriate, inform the Disclosure and Barring Service.

Commencement Information

I4 [Reg. 36](#) in force at 29.4.2019, see [reg. 1\(2\)](#)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Adult Placement Services (Service Providers and Responsible Individuals) (Wales) Regulations 2019, PART 9.