
WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Regulated Fostering Services (Service Providers
and Responsible Individuals) (Wales) Regulations 2019**

PART 6

Requirements on service providers – safeguarding

Safeguarding policies and procedures

- 21.**—(1) The service provider must have policies and procedures in place—
- (a) for the prevention of abuse, neglect and improper treatment, and
 - (b) for responding to any allegation or evidence of abuse, neglect or improper treatment.
- (2) In this regulation, such policies and procedures are referred to as safeguarding policies and procedures.
- (3) The service provider must ensure that its safeguarding policies and procedures are operated effectively.
- (4) In particular, where there is an allegation or evidence of abuse, neglect or improper treatment, the service provider must—
- (a) act in accordance with its safeguarding policies and procedures,
 - (b) take immediate action to ensure the safety of all children for whom care and support is provided,
 - (c) make appropriate referrals to other agencies, and
 - (d) keep a record of any evidence or the substance of any allegation, any action taken and any referrals made.