

Disability listing of applicable statutory regulation, codes of practice, standards or quality assurance programmes for all Service Arrangements.

This listing is provided as an aid to Providers in accessing the pertinent statutory regulation, codes of practice, standards and quality assurance programmes applicable under the Service Arrangement. It is not an exhaustive listing and Providers must ensure that they have adequate systems in place to identify and comply with all their legal, regulatory and professional responsibilities with regards codes of practice, standards and quality assurance requirements in the delivery of the services. Where HSE specific policies, standards or codes are included, the Provider must ensure it has equivalent standards /policies /codes in place which reflect the principles outlined, in a manner relevant to the Provider's individual structures.

Revised for 2025 (New/Updated Documents)

Name of Document	Web Link
Documentation referred to under the Generic heading are available on a separate document list	
A Guide to understanding the definition of designated centre (HIQA)	https://www.hiqa.ie/sites/default/files/2022-06/What-is-a-designated-centre_a-guide-to-understanding-the-definition.pdf
Assessment of Need Standard Operating Procedure	Contact National Quality Improvement Team at disabilitiesqi@hse.ie
Assurance framework to support social care services improve infection prevention and control (published 28 September 2020)	https://www.hiqa.ie/hiqa-news-updates/hiqa-publishes-covid-19-assurance-framework-support-social-care-services-improve
Child Care Acts 1991 – 2013	Child Care Act, 1991 - http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/1991/en/act/pub/0017/index.html Child Care (Amendment) Act, 2007 - http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/pdf/2007/en.act.2007.0026.pdf Child Care (Amendment) Act, 2011 - http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/pdf/2011/en.act.2011.0019.PDF Child Care (Amendment) Act, 2013 - http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/2013/en/act/pub/0005/index.html
Child Safeguarding: A Guide for Policy, Procedure and Practice (Tusla)	https://www.tusla.ie/children-first/support-documents/
Children's Act 2001	http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/2001/en/act/pub/0024/index.html

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Children First – National Guidance for the Protection and Welfare of Children 2017	https://www.tusla.ie/children-first/children-first-guidance-and-legislation/
Code of Ethics and Good Practice for Children’s Sport 2006 (Irish Sports Council)	https://www.sportireland.ie/news/archive-code-of-ethics-and-good-practice-for-childrens-sport
Commission to Inquire into Child Abuse (Amendment) Act 2005	http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/2005/en/act/pub/0017/index.html
Community Living Transition Planning Toolkit	https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/list/4/disability/congregatedsettings/service-providers/
<p><u>COVID-19</u></p> <p>The HSE, HPSC, HIQA, and Government are managing guidance and reporting requirements for providers for Covid through web pages.</p> <p>Service Providers must keep themselves informed and up to date by accessing websites and documents listed in the next column.</p>	<p><u>HSE</u> : HSE Guidance and Resources for Disability Services for COVID-19 are available on: https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/news/newsfeatures/covid19-updates/partner-resources</p> <p><u>HPSC</u>: We recommend that services access the National Public Health Guidance for COVID-19 on www.hpsc.ie. You can also find Irish Sign Language (ISL) videos explaining key Covid-19 topic.</p> <p><u>Infection Control/ Covid 19</u>: V1.0 COVID-19 Guidance on visits to and from community housing units for people with disabilities - See link: https://www.hpsc.ie/az/respiratory/coronavirus/novelcoronavirus/guidance/infectionpreventionandcontrolguidance/residentialcarefacilities/</p> <p><u>HIQA</u>: HIQA’s Covid 19 publications specific to disability – Link: https://www.hiqa.ie/areas-we-work/disability-services</p> <p>In particular we draw your attention to the following guidance documents:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.Preparedness and contingency planning self-assessment for designated centres for adults and children with a disability for a COVID-19 outbreak (published 20 May 2020) available at: https://www.hiqa.ie/reports-and-publications/guide/guidance-assessment-centres-persons-disabilities-dcd 2. Assurance framework to support social care services improve infection prevention and control (published 28

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	September 2020) available at: https://www.hiqa.ie/hiqa-news-updates/hiqa-publishes-covid-19-assurance-framework-support-social-care-services-improve
	<p>We also draw your attention to the additional reporting requirements:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notification of notifiable diseases – NF02 and NF02A • Notification of unexpected death of a resident – NF01 <p>under the following link: https://www.hiqa.ie/guidance-providers/disability-services/notification-forms-dcd</p> <p>Government: https://www.gov.ie/</p>
Disability Act 2005	http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/pdf/2005/en.act.2005.0014.pdf
Education for Persons with Special Educational Needs Act 2004	http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/2004/en/act/pub/0030/index.html
Framework for Management of Residential Supports (including Emergency Placements) in HSEs Community Healthcare Organisation Areas. HSE Community Operations - Disability Services second edition.	Contact National Compliance Unit – Non Statutory Services at bsu.nonstatagencies@hse.ie
Guidance on the Assessment of Fitness for Designated Centres January 2018 (HIQA)	https://www.hiqa.ie/reports-and-publications/guide/guidance-assessment-fitness-designated-centres
Guidelines on Person Centred Planning in the Provision of Services for People with	https://nda.ie/publications/guidelines-on-person-centred-planning-in-the-provision-of-services-for-people-with-disabilities-in-ireland

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Disabilities in Ireland (NDA)	
HIQA National Standards for Adult Safeguarding 2019	https://www.hiqa.ie/sites/default/files/2019-12/National-Standards-for-Adult-Safeguarding.pdf
HIQA Guidance on Restrictive Practices – Disability Services	https://www.hiqa.ie/sites/default/files/2019-03/Restrictive-Practice-Guidance_DCD.pdf
HIQA Registration Process for Service Providers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ General Guidance ○ Registration ○ Inspection 	https://www.hiqa.ie/guidance-providers/disability-services/guidance https://www.hiqa.ie/guidance-providers/disability-services/registration-information https://www.hiqa.ie/guidance-providers/disability-services/inspection-framework-disability
HSE Land Change Hub	https://www.hse.ie/eng/staff/resources/changeguide/change-innovation-hub/
Incident Management Framework	https://www.hse.ie/eng/about/who/nqpsd/qps-incident-management/incident-management/hse-2020-incident-management-framework-guidance.pdf
Incident Management Framework - Guidance	https://www.hse.ie/eng/about/who/nqpsd/qps-incident-management/incident-management/hse-incident-management-framework-guidance-2020.pdf
Interim Standards New Directions	https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/list/4/disability/newdirections/interim%20standards%20for%20new%20directions%20report.pdf
Mental Health Acts 2001 – 2013	Mental Health Act, 2001 - http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/pdf/2001/en.act.2001.0025.pdf Mental Health Act, 2008 - http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/pdf/2008/en.act.2008.0019.pdf Mental Health (Amendment) Act, 2018 – http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/eli/2018/act/10/enacted/en/html Mental Health (Renewal Orders) Act, 2018 - http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/eli/2018/act/23/enacted/en/html
National Guidelines on Accessible Health and Social Care Services (HSE National	https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/yourhealthservice/access/

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Complaints Governance and Learning Team June 2014)	
National Housing Strategy for People with a Disability 2011 – 2016 and related documents:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing Strategy Implementation Plan Rebuilding Ireland Action Plan	https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/49dc7-housing-for-people-with-a-disability/ https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/3a3bb-national-implementation-framework-for-the-national-housing-strategy-for-people-with-a-disability-2011-2016/ https://rebuildingireland.ie/
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Policy and Procedure for Safeguarding Vulnerable Persons at Risk of Abuse December 2014 	https://www.hse.ie/eng/about/who/socialcare/safeguardingvulnerableadults/safeguardingvuladts.html
National Policy on Access to Services for Children & Young People with Disability & Developmental Delay (HSE 2016)	Contact National Compliance Unit – Non Statutory Services at bsu.nonstatagencies@hse.ie
National Policy on the Lead Agency Model (V.1 Dec 2019)	https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/list/4/disability/progressing-disability/pds-programme/documents/
National Policy & Strategy for the Provision of Neuro-Rehabilitation Services in Ireland 2011 – 2015	https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/list/4/disability/neurorehabilitation/
National Standards for Residential Services for Children and Adults with Disabilities May 2013 (HIQA)	https://www.hiqa.ie/reports-and-publications/standard/national-standards-residential-services-children-and-adults

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National Review of Autism Services, Past, Present and the Way Forward 2012	http://www.fedvol.ie/fileupload/Next%20Steps/autismreview2012.pdf
National Standards for Children's Residential Centres 2001	http://health.gov.ie/blog/publications/national-standards-for-childrens-residential-centres/
National Standards for the Protection and Welfare of Children (HIQA) July 2012	https://www.hiqa.ie/reports-and-publications/standard/national-standards-protection-and-welfare-children
National Standards for Safer Better Healthcare (HIQA) June 2012	https://www.hiqa.ie/reports-and-publications/standard/national-standards-safer-better-healthcare
National Standards for Special Care Units (HIQA) November 2014	https://www.hiqa.ie/reports-and-publications/standard/national-standards-special-care-units
New Directions – Interim Standards for New Directions Services and Supports for Adults with Disabilities (Nov 2015)	https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/list/4/disability/newdirections/
Ombudsman for Children Act 2002	http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/2002/en/act/pub/0022/index.html
Outcomes for Children and their Families	https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/list/4/disability/progressing-disability/pds-programme/outcomes/
Policy on Protecting HSE Staff from Second Hand Smoke in Domestic Settings (Nov 2014)	https://www.hse.ie/eng/about/who/tobaccocontrol/shspolicy/shspolicydoc.pdf
Policy on Domestic, Sexual & Gender Based Violence (HSE 2010)	https://www.hse.ie/eng/about/who/primarycare/socialinclusion/about-social-inclusion/researchreports/resources-for-domestic-violence.html
Preparedness and contingency planning self-assessment for	https://www.hiqa.ie/reports-and-publications/guide/guidance-assessment-centres-persons-disabilities-dcd

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Protection of Children (Hague Convention) Act 2000	http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/2000/en/act/pub/0037/index.html
Protection of Persons Reporting Child Abuse Act 1998	http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/1998/en/act/pub/0049/index.html
Protocol for the Management of Vacant Places in Disability Day Services	https://discoveryzone.hse.ie/media/w1yfhila/protocol-for-management-of-vacant-places-in-day-services.pdf
Report of the National Expert Group - Home Sharing in Intellectual Disability Services in Ireland 2016	http://hse.ie/eng/services/publications/disability/reportonhomesharing.pdf
Report of the Value for Money and Policy Review of the Disability Services Programme (VFM) July 2012	http://health.gov.ie/blog/publications/value-for-money-and-policy-review-of-disability-services-in-ireland/
Review of National Audiology Review Group (HSE-April 2011)	https://www.lenus.ie/bitstream/handle/10147/128291/AudiologyReview.pdf?sequence=1&isAllowed=y
Second National Strategy on Domestic, Sexual and Gender Based Violence 2016 – 2020	https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/f7975-second-national-strategy-on-domestic-sexual-and-gender-based-violence-2016-2021/
Share the Vision – A Mental Health Policy for everyone	https://www.hse.ie/eng/about/who/mentalhealth/sharing-the-vision/
Time to Move on from Congregated Settings – A Strategy for Community Inclusion (HSE June 2011)	https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/list/4/disability/congregatedsettings/

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UN Convention on the Rights of the Child 1990	https://www.childrensrights.ie/childrens-rights-ireland/un-convention-rights-child
UN Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities 1993	https://www.un.org/development/desa/disabilities/standard-rules-on-the-equalization-of-opportunities-for-persons-with-disabilities.html
Adult Day Service HSE Referral Process	https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/list/4/disability/newdirections/access-to-day-services-for-adults-with-disabilities.html

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