**CHILDREN FIRST ACT, 2015**

SCHEDULE 2- **MANDATED PERSONS**

**The following classes of persons are specified as mandated persons for the purposes of this Act:**

1. Registered medical practitioner within the meaning of section 2 of the Medical Practitioners Act 2007.

2. Registered nurse or registered midwife within the meaning of section 2(1) of the Nurses and Midwives Act 2011.

3. Physiotherapist registered in the register of members of that profession.

4. Speech and language therapist registered in the register of members of that profession.

5. Occupational therapist registered in the register of members of that profession.

6. Registered dentist within the meaning of section 2 of the Dentists Act 1985.

7. Psychologist **who practises as such** and who is eligible for registration in the register (if any) of members of that profession.

8. Social care worker **who practises as such** and who is eligible for registration inaccordance with Part 4 of the Health and Social Care Professionals Act 2005 in theregister of that profession.

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10. Emergency medical technician, paramedic and advanced paramedic registered with the Pre-Hospital Emergency Care Council under the Pre-Hospital Emergency Care Council (Establishment) Order 2000 (S.I. No. 109 of 2000).

11. Probation officer within the meaning of section 1 of the Criminal Justice (Community Service) Act 1983.

12. Teacher registered with the Teaching Council.

13. Member of An Garda Síochána.

14. Guardian *ad litem* appointed in accordance with section 26 of the Child Care Act 1991

**15. Person employed in any of the following capacities:**

(a) manager of domestic violence shelter;

(b) manager of homeless provision or emergency accommodation facility;

(c) manager of asylum seeker accommodation (direct provision) centre;

(d) addiction counsellor employed by a body funded, wholly or partly, out of

moneys provided by the Oireachtas;

(e) psychotherapist or a person providing counselling **who is registered with one of the voluntary professional bodies;**

(f) manager of a language school or other recreational school where childrenreside away from home;

(g) member of the clergy (howsoever described) or pastoral care worker (howsoever described) of a church or other religious community;

(h) director of any institution where a child is detained by an order of a court;

(i) safeguarding officer, child protection officer or other person (howsoever described) who is employed for **the purpose of performing the child welfare and protection function** of religious, sporting, recreational, cultural, educational and other bodies and organisations offering services to children;

(j) child care staff member employed in a pre-school service within the meaning of Part VIIA of the Child Care Act 1991;

(k) person responsible for the care or management of a youth work service within the meaning of section 2 of the Youth Work Act 2001.

16. Youth worker who— **(a)** holds a professional qualification that is recognised by the National Qualifications Authority in youth work within the meaning of section 3 of the Youth Work Act 2001 or a related discipline, and **(b)** is employed in a youth work service within the meaning of section 2 of the Youth Work Act 2001.

17. Foster carer registered with the Agency.

18. A person carrying on a pre-school service within the meaning of Part VIIA of the