

List of Agency Decision Makers, Designated Managers and Nominated Officers

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NOTE

Consent to life-ending withdrawal of medical support for a child will require an application to the High Court even if all relevant parties are in agreement. Legal advice must be sought as a matter of urgency.

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Support Plans and
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