



# Care Act 2014

## 2014 CHAPTER 23

### PART 1

#### CARE AND SUPPORT

##### *General responsibilities of local authorities*

#### **7 Co-operating in specific cases**

- (1) Where a local authority requests the co-operation of a relevant partner, or of a local authority which is not one of its relevant partners, in the exercise of a function under this Part in the case of an individual with needs for care and support or in the case of a carer, a carer of a child or a young carer, the partner or authority must comply with the request unless it considers that doing so—
  - (a) would be incompatible with its own duties, or
  - (b) would otherwise have an adverse effect on the exercise of its functions.
- (2) Where a relevant partner of a local authority, or a local authority which is not one of its relevant partners, requests the co-operation of the local authority in its exercise of a function in the case of an individual with needs for care and support or in the case of a carer, a carer of a child or a young carer, the local authority must comply with the request unless it considers that doing so—
  - (a) would be incompatible with its own duties, or
  - (b) would otherwise have an adverse effect on the exercise of its functions.
- (3) A person who decides not to comply with a request under subsection (1) or (2) must give the person who made the request written reasons for the decision.
- (4) “Relevant partner”, in relation to a local authority, has the same meaning as in section 6.
- (5) “Carer of a child” means a person who is a carer for the purposes of section 60.