

Strategic Drivers for Children and Young People's Services	
Name	Summary
Alternatives to Secure Care and Custody (2011)	Provides guidance on good practice for local authorities and community planning partners in relation to alternatives to secure care and custody.
Better Relationships, Better Learning, Better Behaviour (2014)	Developing good relationships and positive behaviour in the classroom, playground and wider community is essential for creating the right environment for effective learning and teaching. This document identifies the next steps and priority actions to support local authorities, establishments, practitioners and partners to further improve relationships and behaviour within their learning communities.
Building the Ambition - National Practice Guidance on Early Learning and Childcare (2014)	A Scottish Government document providing guidance to help and support practitioners in delivering best practice across Early Learning and Childcare. It examines key areas which make a difference to a child's Early Learning experience and the crucial role practitioners play.
Carers (Scotland) Act 2016	Designed to support carers' health and wellbeing and help make care more sustainable and ensure there is more consistent support for carers and young carers.
Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014;	This Act puts the UNCRC into a Scottish statute for the first time. It encourages Scottish Ministers and public bodies to consider children's rights and requires them to prepare reports on what they are doing to progress children's rights.
Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015	Designed to help empower community bodies through the ownership or control of land and buildings and by strengthening their voices in decisions about public services.
Community Justice Plan for Ayrshire: Beginnings, Belonging, Belief	Community Justice Ayrshire is a partnership focussed on preventing and reducing re-offending and they have published this Plan to help achieve this. The Plan exists for all those affected by crime including offenders, their families, victims, communities and those working in the justice system and asks that everyone works together to succeed.
Curriculum for Excellence (2004 and ongoing);	A Curriculum for Excellence applies to all children and young people from their earliest contact with the education system through to the time they leave school as young adults. It applies to early year's centres and nurseries, schools and to colleges and others working in partnership with schools. The curriculum reflects the nation's values and should enable the young people of Scotland to flourish as individuals, reach high levels of achievement and make valuable contributions to society.
Delivering a Healthy Future (2007)	Delivering a Healthy Future sets out a structured programme of actions to improve services for children and young people in Scotland. The Action Framework sets out clearly the challenges, emphasises the importance of working together and defines the key elements of a health service fit for children and young people as well as the actions required to achieve this.

Developing Scotland's Young Workforce (2014);	A Scottish Government plan that explores how the Government will respond to the findings of the Commission for Developing Scotland's Young workforce in working to ensure that all young people, whatever the barriers they face, have fair access to opportunities in the world of work.
Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018	The Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act is a UK first introducing legislation that criminalises psychological domestic abuse and coercive controlling behaviour. The change in law recognises the multiple ways in which people are affected by domestic abuse and expands the definition of domestic abuse in criminal law.
Every Child Every Chance	Establishes a clear direction of travel towards a better future for children in Scotland by setting out new policies and proposals to help make strong progress towards ending child poverty in Scotland.
Early Years Framework (2008);	Early Years Framework sets out a vision for early years services in Scotland to ensure children get the best start in life.
Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act 2009;	Provides the legal framework for the provision of additional support for learning. It is structured around the concept of support being needed for any reason, for short or long term periods as determined by the individual needs of the child or young person. Education authorities are required to identify, make provision for, and review provision for the additional support needs of children and young people for whose education they are responsible.
Education (Scotland) Act 2016 incorporating the National Improvement Framework (NIF)	Includes changes to law which aim to close the attainment gap faced by children from low income households. The Act required ministers to establish a National Improvement Framework to ensure every child in Scotland has equal opportunities and the best possible education in order to succeed.
Education under the Equality Act 2010;	The Equality Act makes it unlawful for any education provider, including a private or independent provider, to discriminate against, harass or victimise a pupil or potential pupil: in relation to admissions, in the way it provides education, in the way it provides pupils access to any benefit, facility or service or by excluding a pupil or subjecting them to any other detriment. They must not discriminate on the grounds of sex, race, disability, religion or belief, pregnancy or maternity, gender reassignment or sexual orientation.
Getting It Right for Every Child	Getting it right for every child (GIRFEC) supports families by making sure children and young people can receive the right help, at the right time, from the right people. The aim is to help them to grow up feeling loved, safe and respected so that they can realise their full potential. GIRFEC is a way for families to work in partnership with people who can support them, such as teachers, doctors and nurses.
GIRFEC Ayrshire	East Ayrshire has been at the forefront of implementing GIRFEC; the GIRFEC Ayrshire website provides a suite of information and tools as well as the Child's Pathway framework of early intervention.

Getting It Right For Young Carers: The Young Carers Strategy for Scotland: 2010 - 2015	<p>A Scottish Government strategy that aims to improve young carer identification and support within schools, colleges and the health service. Ensuring that all of the needs of the child or young person are being identified and addressed including the impact of caring on their health, wellbeing and education.</p>
Health and Social Care Delivery Plan	<p>A plan which sets out the framework and actions needed to ensure that our health and social care services are fit to meet requirements. The plan aims to deliver a Scotland that has high quality services that focus on prevention, early intervention and supported self-management; to allow the people of Scotland to live longer, healthier lives.</p>
Healthier Scotland Conversation	<p>The healthier Scotland conversation took place because the Government wants people to be involved in, and to have influence on the decisions that affect their lives. Building on the knowledge and strength of people the conversation started a process of creating a healthier Scotland for everyone.</p>
Included, Engaged and Involved (2017) – Part 2	<p>This document is part 2 of a guidance document which refreshed the national policy on school exclusions. It has a key role to play in supporting the Scottish Governments focus on transforming the lives of children and young people, closing the attainment gap and opening doors of opportunity to all. The guidance promotes a stronger focus on approaches that can be used to prevent the need for exclusion, ensuring all children and young people are Included, Engaged, and Involved in their education.</p>
Independent Care Review - The Promise	<p>The Promise reflects what over 5,500 care experienced children, adults, families and the paid and unpaid workforce told the Care Review. It aims to tell Scotland what it must do to make sure that its most vulnerable children feel loved and have the childhood they deserve.</p>
Independent Care Review - The Pinky Promise	<p>Format for younger readers.</p>
Joint Child Health and Wellbeing Statement for Ayrshire and Arran (2015-2019)	<p>Outlines a shared commitment to supporting better outcomes for children, both as individuals and as a population, across North, East and South Ayrshire.</p>
Looked After Children and Young People: We Can and Must Do Better (2007)	<p>This report highlighted the need to improve the learning and development of everyone who works with Scotland’s looked after children and care leavers. 5 key themes were identified including: working together; becoming effective life-long learners; Developing into successful and responsible adults; being emotionally, mentally and physically healthy; and feeling safe and nurtured in a home setting.</p>

Mental Health Strategy 2017-2027	<p>The mental health strategy aims to work on achieving parity between mental and physical health and delivering a Scotland where people can get the right help at the right time, expect recovery, and fully enjoy their rights, free from discrimination and stigma. It will focus on a series of actions to achieve this including: prevention and early intervention; accessible services; physical well-being of people with mental health problems; rights, information use and planning; and data and measurement.</p>
More Choices More Chances (2006);	<p>The Scottish Government is committed to ensuring that all young people in Scotland are being given the opportunity to fulfil their potential and don't find themselves not in education, employment or training, This strategy outlines the government's strategy for reducing the number of young people who find themselves in this category, instead increasing their employability and skills by working in partnership with many agencies within each local authority across Scotland.</p>
National Action Plan on Internet Safety for Children and Young People	<p>Scottish Government (2017) Plan setting out how we have the appropriate training, support and information in place to keep children safe online.</p>
National Action Plan to Prevent and Tackle Child Sexual Exploitation Update (2016)	<p>This updated strategy reports on the progress of actions set out in Scotland's first National Action Plan (2014) and outlines the further actions that will be taken to continue to tackle Child Sexual Exploitation. The strategy is set within a much wider context that aims</p>
National Primary Care Vision	<p>The Scottish Government's vision for the future of primary care is for enhanced and expanded multi-disciplinary teams, made up of a variety of roles across health, social and community services, each contributing their unique skills to improving outcomes for individuals and local communities. This strategy sets out the overarching national approach and principles for how we will evidence and understand the reform of primary care.</p>
Opportunities for All (2012);	<p>The Scottish Government recognises that staying in learning or training in the best way for young people to develop the skills they need to progress to employment. Opportunities for all outlines the Government's strategy to ensure access for all Scotland's young people to a range of opportunities in education, training and employment by working with agencies such as Community Jobs Scotland and Jobcentre Plus.</p>
Preventing Offending by Young People A Framework for Action (2008)	<p>A framework that outlines the Scottish Government's ambition to enable young people to realise their potential by providing the appropriate opportunities and support at the right time.</p>
Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014	<p>A framework for integrating adult health and social care, to ensure a consistent provision of quality, sustainable care services for the increasing numbers of people in Scotland who need joined-up support and care, particularly people with multiple, complex, long-term conditions.</p>

Responding To Self-Harm In Scotland Final Report (2011)	A document that outlines the Scottish Government's recommendations in continuing to respond to Self-Harm in Scotland by demonstrating the primary objectives the Government would like to achieve and setting out specific action to take in order to achieve those objectives.
Revised Prevent Duty Guidance: for Scotland 2015	Guidance for specified Scottish authorities on the duty in the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015 to have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism
Scotland's Action Plan for United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development (2010);	A plan which set out to ensure that the people of Scotland developed the knowledge, understanding, skills and values to live sustainable lives.
Scotland's National Action Plan to tackle Child Sexual Exploitation (2014)	Scotland's first national action plan to prevent and tackle Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) with a focus on prevention of abuse, disruption and prosecution of offenders and supporting children and young people affected by CSE.
Scottish Government (2007): Getting it right for every child in kinship and foster care	A Scottish Government strategy which aims to deliver a child-centred approach to kinship and foster care to ensure that children and families receive the right care, at the right time that is personalised to their complex needs.
Scottish Government (2014) National Guidance for Child Protection in Scotland.	All children and young people have the right to be cared for and protected from harm and abuse and to grow up in a safe environment in which their rights are respected and their needs are met. This document provides a framework for agencies and practitioners at local level to agree processes for working together to safeguard and promote child wellbeing.
Scottish Government (2014): Forced Marriage Statutory Guidance - revised	Multi agency guidance intended to inform all frontline staff and volunteers within agencies who are likely to come across adults or children and young people threatened with or in a forced marriage.
Scottish Government (2017): The Best Start: A Five-Year Forward Plan for Maternity and Neonatal Care in Scotland	A five year forward plan for the improvement of maternity and neonatal services in Scotland that establishes the vision for delivering high quality and safe care. This includes a family-centred approach for mothers and babies, encouraging partners and other family members to be actively involved in all aspects of maternal and newborn care and staff being supported to deliver high quality care throughout.
Scottish Government (2017): Trafficking and Exploitation Strategy	A strategy developed to bring together and build on work undertaken previously by the Scottish government and other agencies across Scotland to provide coherent, effective support for victims and take action against perpetrators. It sets out a clear vision to work towards achieving the elimination of human trafficking and exploitation.

Scottish Government Multi-Agency Public Protection Arrangements (MAPPA) National Guidance 2016	<p>A set of statutory partnership working arrangements introduced in 2007 by virtue of sections 10 and 11 of the Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Act 2005. This places a statutory duty on the responsible authorities in a local authority area to jointly establish arrangements for assessing and managing the risk posed by certain categories of offenders.</p>
Scottish Government Statement on FGM (2015)	<p>Scottish Government Statement opposing Female Genital Mutilation. Contains definitions, legislation and help and support contacts.</p>
Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe) Briefing - Kinship Care (2012)	<p>A briefing that sets out what is meant by kinship care, the relevant legal framework and policies intended to support kinship carers.</p>
Scottish Statutory Guidance –Forced Marriage Supplementary Guidance Document 2014	<p>Scottish Government guidance that outlines the responsibilities of chief executives, directors and senior managers that handle cases of forced marriage.</p>
Self-directed Support (Scotland) Act 2013	<p>The Act places a duty on local authorities to offer people the 4 self-directed support options. The options allow the supported person to decide how much control they want to have over both their support and the budget.</p>
Skills for Scotland (2007);	<p>A Scottish Government strategy that sets out what objectives are required to develop a cohesive lifelong learning system centred upon the individual but responsive to employer needs. It contains the vision for delivering a system for developing skills that meets everybody’s needs and aspirations and equips individuals with skills that are flexible enough to meet the needs of today and respond to the demands of tomorrow.</p>
Supporting Young People’s Health & Wellbeing A Summary of Scottish Government Policy (2013)	<p>Provides a broad overview of the key Scottish Government policies that aim to support young people’s health and wellbeing. It is organised around two key life stages: Pre-birth and Early Years and Youth.</p>
The Early Years Framework (2008)	<p>Sets out a vision for early years services in Scotland to ensure that children get ‘the best start in life’ by laying out the steps that the Scottish Government, local partners and practitioners in early year’s services need to take to achieve this.</p>
The Review of Public Health in Scotland	<p>The public health review was asked to examine public health systems and functions and their contribution to improving population health and reducing health inequalities.</p>

<p>The Scottish Government 's Youth Justice Strategy - Preventing Offending Getting it right for children and young people (2015)</p>	<p>The Scottish Government is committed to making Scotland the best place to grow up and this extends to all children and young people in Scotland. This strategy aims to deliver a child-centred preventative approach that is focussed on helping to ensure communities are safe from crime and disorder, improving life chances for children and young people involved in or at risk of offending and enabling all children and young people to be confident individuals, effective contributors, successful learners and responsible citizens.</p>
<p>The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child - (UNCRC)</p>	<p>The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) is the most complete statement of children's rights ever produced, it contains 54 articles that cover all aspects of a child's life and set out the civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights that children everywhere are entitled to. Every child has rights, whatever their ethnicity, gender, religion, language, abilities or any other status.</p>
<p>These Are Our Bairns: A guide for community planning partnerships on being a good corporate parent (2008)</p>	<p>The aim of this guidance is to support councils and their community planning partners in closing the gap which has existed for decades between people who have experienced the care system and people who have not.</p>
<p>Universal Health Visiting Pathway in Scotland - Pre Birth to Pre School (2015)</p>	<p>Evidence demonstrates the importance of prevention, early identification and intervention throughout the early years of life. This document sets out the minimum core home visiting programme to be offered to all families by Health Visitors.</p>