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**Question 1**

**Approval Criteria**

The approval criteria for the new Nanny Scheme has been amended and now includes six criteria, as set out below:

A person who submits an application for approval as an approved home childcare provider must:

* + 1. be 18 years of age or over,
		2. have obtained one of the qualifications specified in a list maintained by the approval body or such other person appointed by the Welsh Ministers,
		3. hold a relevant first aid certificate,
		4. have public liability insurance which covers death, injury, damage or other loss,
		5. provide an enhanced criminal record certificate or submit an application to receive that certificate from the approval body, and;
		6. not be barred from a regulated activity relating to children\* or be considered otherwise unsuitable to work with or have unsupervised access to children.

*(\*The barred list is a list maintained by the Disclosure and Barring Service of individuals who are prevented by law from working with children)*

Do you agree with the six proposed criteria for approval?

**Question 2**

Do you agreed that approval should only be given to nannies aged 18 and over?

**Question 3**

We have added in the requirement for a nanny to have Public Liability Insurance, which brings the new Nanny Scheme into line with the other home nations. Do you think this will cause an issue for nannies not being able/wanting to join the approval scheme?

**Question 4**

**Applying for renewal of approval**

The new Nanny Scheme makes it clear that a person wishing to renew their approval will need to make an application to renew an approval at least 42 days in advance of the expiry of their approval.

A nanny seeking approval must fulfil the following criteria.

A person who submits an application to renew an approval under this Scheme must:

* + 1. provide a relevant first aid certificate to the approval body,
		2. have obtained one of the qualifications specified in a list maintained by the approval body,
		3. provide an enhanced criminal records certificate or application for that certificate to the approval body,
		4. have public liability insurance which covers death, injury, damage or other loss, and
		5. not be barred from a regulated activity relating to children\* or be considered otherwise unsuitable to work with or have unsupervised access to children.

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Do you agree with the proposed approach to renewals?

**Question 5**

Provision of information to the approval body

The new scheme asks approved nannies to notify the approval body if they are convicted of a crime or receive a caution as soon as reasonably practicable. Failure to notify the approval body could result in the nanny’s approval being withdrawn.

Do you agree with this approach?

**Question 6**

**Refusal or withdrawal of approval and representation process**

The new Nanny Scheme sets out the process for refusal or withdrawal of approvals and explains that the approval body must provide written notice of its proposal to refuse or withdraw an application for approval. The written notice must contain the reasons why refusal or withdrawal of approval is proposed and information about how the representation process can be made.

The applicant has 28 days to make representations to the approval body. If an applicant proceeds with the representations process a decision maker will be appointed who has had no prior involvement in the application. The approval body is required to notify the applicant of the outcome of the process within 28 days of them making their representation. The Approval Body may issue an immediate suspension of a nannies approval where is considered necessary and appropriate but this will be pending the outcome of the representation process.

Do you agree to this approach?

**Question 7**

We have asked a number of specific questions. If you have any related issues which we have not specifically addressed, please use this space to report them:

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