

YOUTH JUSTICE CASE STUDIES (scroll down for welsh)

Scenario 1 - You are working with a child who is living in a residential home. The police are called regularly to the home because of the child's behaviour – such as breaking items, being verbally abusive and smashing things in their room. Staff at the home are struggling to tolerate and manage the child's behaviour and due to damage are keen for criminal charges to be brought against the child. You are aware that the child has had some difficult experiences of late and that a well-awaited visit from the child's dad was abruptly cancelled, leaving them very upset.

What rights are at play here? What could you do in this situation?

Scenario 2 - A young person has been placed in a YOI on a custodial sentence for violence against another and is due for release in 8 days. The child is placed outside of Wales and the YOT Officers are experiencing difficulties in communicating with the YOI staff to co-ordinate resettlement. The child is unable to go home to live with parents and will need accommodation and may be entitled to an advocate. The child tells you they are anxious about release as they don't know what the plan is.

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Scenario 3 - A child you are working with has been repeatedly violent in school towards other pupils. Despite the school initially being supportive and working well with you and the child, the child has now been excluded. It is just before the child is due to take their GCSE's. You know the child had been wanting to give the exams a go as they told you they were planning to do a plumbing course in college.

What rights are at play here? What could you do in this situation?

Scenario 4 - A group of children you are working with are regularly going missing. They have come to your attention due to low level drug possession offences. The children do not co-operate or disclose information about where they have been and do not want to engage with any diversionary schemes or support. You believe the group of children are being exploited. The families of the children do not want to engage with your officers.

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Scenario 1 – Rydych chi'n gweithio gyda phlentyn sy'n byw mewn cartref preswyl. Mae'r heddlu'n cael eu galw i'r cartref yn rheolaidd oherwydd ymddygiad y plentyn – er enghraift torri pethau, defnyddio geiriau sarhaus, a chwalu pethau yn eu stafell. Mae staff yn y cartref yn cael trafferth goddef a rheoli ymddygiad y plentyn, ac oherwydd y difrod maen nhw'n awyddus bod y plentyn yn wynebu cyhuddiadau troseddol. Rydych chi'n ymwybodol bod y plentyn wedi wynebu rhai profiadau anodd yn ddiweddar, a bod ymweliad hir-ddisgwylledig gan dad y plentyn wedi cael ei ganslo'n sydyn, fel eu bod wedi ypsetio'n fawr.

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Scenario 2 – Mae person ifanc wedi cael eu rhoi mewn Sefydliad Troseddwyr Ifanc (YOI) ar ddedfryd o gaethiwed am fod yn dreisgar yn erbyn person arall, ac maen nhw i gael eu rhyddhau ymhen 8 diwrnod. Mae'r plentyn mewn lleoliad tu allan i Gymru, ac mae Swyddogion y TTI yn cael trafferth cyfathrebu â staff y Sefydliad Troseddwyr Ifanc i gydlyn ailsefydlu. Mae'r plentyn yn methu mynd adref i fyw gyda'r rhieni, bydd angen trefnu llety, a gallai fod hawl ganddyn nhw i gael eiriolydd. Mae'r plentyn yn dweud wrthych chi eu bod nhw'n pryderu am gael eu rhyddhau, achos bod nhw ddim yn gwybod beth yw'r cynllun.

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Scenario 3 – Mae plentyn rydych chi'n gweithio gyda nhw wedi bod yn dreisgar droeon tuag at ddisgyblion eraill yn yr ysgol. Er bod yr ysgol yn gefnogol ar y cychwyn, ac wedi gweithio'n dda gyda chi a'r plentyn, mae'r plentyn yn awr wedi cael gwaharddiad, a hynny'n union cyn adeg sefyll yr arholiadau TGAU. Rydych chi'n gwybod bod y plentyn yn awyddus i roi cynnig ar yr arholiadau, gan eu bod wedi sôn wrthych chi eu bod nhw'n bwriadu gwneud cwrs plwmwr yn y coleg.

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Scenario 4 – Mae grŵp o blant rydych chi'n gweithio gyda nhw yn mynd ar goll yn rheolaidd. Maen nhw wedi dod at eich sylw oherwydd troseddau lefel isel yn ymwned â meddu ar gyffuriau. Nid yw'r plant yn cydweithredu nac yn datgelu gwybodaeth ynghylch ble maen nhw wedi bod, a dydyn nhw ddim yn awyddus i ymgysylltu ag unrhyw gynlluniau dargyfeirio na chefnogaeth. Rydych chi'n credu bod y grŵp yma o blant yn cael eu hecsbloetio. Dyw teuluoedd y plant ddim eisiau ymgysylltu â'ch swyddogion.

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