After Clause 1

BARONESS TYLER OF ENFIELD

Insert the following new Clause—

“Duty to assess and promote physical and mental health and emotional well-being

(1) Section 22 of the Children Act 1989 is amended as follows.

(2) After subsection (3)(b) insert —

“(c) to assess and promote his physical and mental health and emotional well-being”.

(3) After subsection (3C) insert —

“(3D) Any assessment conducted under subsection (3)(c) of a child’s mental health and well-being shall be performed as soon as is reasonably possible after the child enters care and conducted by a health professional with sufficient mental health knowledge, skills and competence to conduct these assessments.

(3E) Each clinical commissioning group must take steps to assist the local authority in its area in the exercise of its functions under subsection (3)(c).

(3F) The clinical commissioning group for each area must appoint at least one registered medical practitioner and one nurse for the purpose of coordinating the discharge of the duty imposed by subsection (3E).”
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AMENDMENT
TO BE MOVED
ON THIRD READING

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