



1 November 2018

David J Rowlands AM  
Chair  
Petitions Committee  
National Assembly for Wales  
Cardiff Bay  
Cardiff  
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Dear David Rowlands AM

**Petition P-05-751 Recognition of Parental Alienation**

Thank you for your letter dated 10 October 2018.

I can confirm that Cafcass Cymru is in the process of developing practice guidance to enhance the existing practice tools, guidance and research available to Family Court practitioners which they can use to support children and families in cases where alienating behaviours may feature. We have been in discussions and are working with Cafcass (England) in developing our approach.

We expect to offer over the coming months a range of training and practice development opportunities to Cafcass Cymru practitioners to support the implementation of the new practice guidance before formally launching the guidance by the end of March 2019.

Yours sincerely

**Nigel Brown**  
Chief Executive, Cafcass Cymru

*Rydym yn croesawu gohebiaeth Gymraeg. Cewch ateb Cymraeg i bob gohebiaeth Gymraeg ac ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn arwain at oedi.*

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