

# 1. Youth Policy Governance

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The main statement of youth policy is contained in the [National Youth Work Strategy 2014 - 2019](#) of [YouthLink Scotland](#), the national agency for youth work, as this is seen as drawing together, and interacting with, other policies which affect the youth age group. It recognises the need to connect with early intervention policies that address a much younger age group in order to be most effective.

*Getting it Right for Every Child* ([GIRFEC](#)) is the Scottish Government's rights-based approach to improving outcomes for children. It underpins all policy, practice, strategy and legislation affecting children, young people and their families and applies to individuals from birth to age 19.