

Summary of the Statutory Guidance and Regulations for Part 7 of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014



The Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014.



This Act is about the future for social care in Wales.



You can find an Easy Read version of the Act on the
Welsh Government website.



Everyone in Wales needs to know how to do what the Act says.



This means the Act needs **regulations**, a **code of practice** or **statutory guidance**.

The **regulations** are rules. The rules say what **must** be done.



The **Statutory Guidance** describes what social care will look like and what **must** be done.



The Act starts in April 2016.



Writing the Regulations and Statutory Guidance



We have asked a lot of people what we should put in the **Regulations** and **Statutory Guidance**.



We have written some of the **Regulations** and **Statutory Guidance**.

Now we want to know what you think.

Monday

2 February

You must tell us what you think by 2 February 2015.

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We will look at what you tell us.



Then we will take the **Regulations** to the National Assembly for Wales in May 2015.



We will ask them to agree the **Regulations**.



Then everyone will have until April 2016 to get ready to do what the **Regulations** say.



We are still writing some of the **Regulations** and **Code of Practice** for other parts of the Act.



We will ask you about these in May 2015.



We have written **Regulations** about:



- Adult Protection and Support Orders.



- Safeguarding Boards (we have written two sets of **Regulations** about this).



- The National Independent Safeguarding Board.



We have also written **Statutory Guidance** about Safeguarding.



You can find them on the Welsh Government website.



Safeguarding is about keeping adults and children safe.



The Act says that if you work for one of these organisations, you **must** tell someone if you think a child or vulnerable adult is at risk.



Council

- Local council.



- Police.



Court

- Probation.



- The NHS.



If you work for one of these organisations, you **must** know:



- who to tell in your own area.



- how to tell organisations in another area.



Adult Protection and Support Orders



We have written **Regulations** about Adult Protection and Support Orders.



This is a new court order.

This is how it works:



- A professional thinks a vulnerable adult may be at risk.



- They have tried to check, but someone is stopping them from seeing the vulnerable adult.



- The professional tells the court.



- The court can give the professional an Adult Protection and Support Order.



- The Order means the professional can go into someone's house without the person's permission.



- Then the professional can check if the vulnerable adult is safe.



Safeguarding Boards



Part 7 of the Act says what the Boards must do.



We have also written **Regulations** about these.



There will be 6 Boards for children.



There will be 6 Boards for adults.



Their job is to make sure professionals work together to keep local people safe.



Part 7 of the Act says what the Boards must do.



There will be rules to make sure people who use social care services can work with the Boards.



National Independent Safeguarding Board



We have written **Regulations** about this.



There will be 1 National Independent Safeguarding Board.

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The National Board is for both children and vulnerable adults.





The National Board will:



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- help Welsh Ministers; and



- help Safeguarding Boards to work together to keep people safe.