

Toolkit #2

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

What does the Act mean for me?

The Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 has major implications for your work as a social care worker.






This new legal framework consists of three elements:

- The Act itself
- The regulations, which provide greater detail about the requirements of the Act
- The codes of practice, which give practical guidance about how it should be implemented.

The Act covers:



- Adults (people aged 18 or over)
- Children (people under the age of 18)
- Carers (adults or children who provide or intend to provide care and support).

The Act consists of 11 parts and is built on five principles

Principle 1		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voice and control – putting an individual and their needs at the centre of their care and support, with voice and control over the outcomes that will help them achieve well-being
Principle 2		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prevention and early intervention – being able to access advice and support at an early stage to maintain a good quality of life, and reduce or delay the need for longer term care and support
Principle 3		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-being – supporting people to achieve well-being in every part of their lives
Principle 4		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Co-production – involving people in the design and provision of their support and services, and recognising the knowledge and expertise they can bring
Principle 5		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multi agency – strong partnership working between all agencies and organisations is essential to improve the well-being of people in need of care and support, and carers in need of support

Supporting Materials

Please view the easy read document and the YouTube video

Document 	Easy Read Version of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014
YouTube Film 	What Does the Act Mean for Me?