



**Registration is changing**

Have your say on our proposals for:

* adult care home workers
* residential family centre support workers
* residential child care workers
* social care managers
* payment of registration fees

Consultation closes on 20 December 2019

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**About you/your organisation**

Are you responding to this consultation:

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| 1. **as an individual** |  | **or** | 1. **on behalf of an organisation** |  |
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| **If as an individual, are you a/an:** |  |  | **Is the organisation:** |  |
| Social care manager |  | Central or devolved government |  |
| Social care worker |  | A local authority |  |
| Social worker |  | A health sector organisation |  |
| Social work student |  | An employer |  |
| Individual using care and support |  | A learning provider |  |
| Member of the public |  | Other – please describe below: | |
| Employed by NHS Wales |  |  | |
| Learning provider |  |
| Carer |  |  | |
|  | | Organisation name/type of work carried out: | |
| Other – please describe below: | |  | |
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**Adult care home worker registration**

**Do you agree with the proposal to allow adult care home workers to register using the qualifications listed in the existing qualification framework?**

Yes

No

Please use the space below for any comments:

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**Do you agree with our proposal to allow adult care home workers who do not hold one of the recognised qualifications to register initially using the Principles and Values Award?**

Yes

No

Please use the space below for any comments:

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**Do you agree with our proposal for a temporary confirmed competence route between 2020 and 2022, which will allow experienced adult care home workers to register without the need to complete a formal qualification?**

Yes

No

Please use the space below for any comments:

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**Practice guidance for adult care home workers**

**Do you think the standards and the expectations on workers set in the practice guidance are reasonable and achievable?**

Yes

No

Please provide your comments in the space below:

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**Do you think there are any gaps in the content of the practice guidance?**

Yes

No

Please use the space below to tell us about any gaps:

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**Residential family centre support worker registration**

**Do you agree with the proposal to allow residential family centre support workers to register using the qualifications listed in the existing qualification framework?**

Yes

No

Please use the space below for any comments:

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**Do you agree with our proposal to allow residential family centre support workers who do not hold one of the recognised qualifications to register initially using the Principles and Values Award?**

Yes

No

Please use the space below for any comments:

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**Changes to residential child care worker registration**

**Do you agree with our proposal to allow residential child care workers who do not have a recognised qualification to register initially using the Principles and Values Award?**

Yes

No

Please provide your comments in the space below:

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**Changes to social care manager registration**

**Do you agree with our proposal to register a social care worker or other registered professional as a manager if they are enrolled on the level 4 qualification when another manager is unavailable to a service?**

Yes

No

Please provide your comments in the space below:

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**Do you agree with our proposal to register those who hold a recognised qualification for registration with the relevant regulator as a social worker, nurse or occupational therapist, along with a generic management qualification with the conditions set out above?**

Yes

No

Please provide your comments in the space below:

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**The payment of fees**

**Do you agree with our proposal to introduce provisional registration for years two and three of an individual’s three-year registration?**

**This would mean their registration in these years would only become active once we have received the appropriate fee.**

Yes

No

Please add any comments here:

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**The future of registration in Wales**

**We welcome your views on our ideas for a more streamlined Register.**

**Are broader categories relating to those working in adults’ or children’s social care more appropriate than the current separate sub-categories? Or do you support the idea of creating four categories within our Register – social worker, social care manager, social care worker and social work student?**

**We would particularly welcome your views on the benefits and risks this might present.**

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**Do you agree with our suggestion of grouping managers of regulated services in a single category on the Register, called ‘social care manager’?**

Yes

No

Please provide your comments in the space below:

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**We would like to know your views on the effects that all the proposals in this consultation will have on the Welsh language, specifically on:**

**i) opportunities for people to use Welsh**

**ii) treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language.**

**What effects do you think there would be? How could positive effects be increased or negative effects be mitigated?**

Please provide your comments in the space below:

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**How we will use your views**

Any response you send us will be seen in full by our staff dealing with the issues this consultation covers. It may also be seen by other members of staff to help us plan future consultations.

We will be publishing a summary of the responses to this document. We may also publish responses in full. Normally, the name and address of the person or organisation who sent the response are published with the response. This helps to show that the consultation was carried out properly. If you do not want your name or address published, please tell us this in writing when you send your response. We will then blank them out.

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