



Coming soon – new Codes of Professional Practice

From 1 July 2026, social care workers and employers in Wales will need to follow our new Codes of Professional Practice.

What's changed?

We've updated our Codes of Professional Practice for social care workers and employers, and our practice guidance.

- We've made the Codes simpler and easier to understand.
- The standards of practice and behaviour haven't changed.

Who do the codes apply to?

- Social care workers who are registered with us **must** follow the Code.
- All social care workers in Wales should follow the Code, even if they're not currently expected to register with us.



Your role as an employer

You're expected to:

- support your staff to understand the updated codes and use them in their work
- make sure policies and procedures reflect the standards in the new codes
- promote a culture of accountability, respect, and continuous learning.

More information

You can find the Codes of Professional Practice and practice guidance on our website. We also have resources to help you use them.

Visit socialcare.wales/codes or scan the QR code.

