



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?

- If you're registered with us, you **must** follow the Code for workers.
- Everyone working in social care in Wales should follow the Code for workers, even if you don't have to register with us.



Your role as a social care worker

- **Respect everyone** – treat people with dignity and listen to their choices.
- **Keep people safe** – protect from harm and help manage risks.
- **Be honest** – act responsibly and do what you say you will.
- **Keep learning** – stay up to date with skills and knowledge.
- **Act professionally** – be mindful of your behaviour and maintain trust in your role.
- **Own your actions** – take responsibility and report concerns.

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.

