



# Mental Capacity Act 2005

## 2005 CHAPTER 9

### PART 1

#### PERSONS WHO LACK CAPACITY

##### *General powers of the court and appointment of deputies*

#### **17 Section 16 powers: personal welfare**

- (1) The powers under section 16 as respects P's personal welfare extend in particular to—
  - (a) deciding where P is to live;
  - (b) deciding what contact, if any, P is to have with any specified persons;
  - (c) making an order prohibiting a named person from having contact with P;
  - (d) giving or refusing consent to the carrying out or continuation of a treatment by a person providing health care for P;
  - (e) giving a direction that a person responsible for P's health care allow a different person to take over that responsibility.
- (2) Subsection (1) is subject to section 20 (restrictions on deputies).