

# Social Services and Wellbeing (Wales) Act 2014

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### PART 1

## INTRODUCTION

# Key terms

# 2 Meaning of "well-being"

- (1) This section applies for the purpose of this Act.
- (2) "Well-being", in relation to a person, means well-being in relation to any of the following—
  - (a) physical and mental health and emotional well-being;
  - (b) protection from abuse and neglect;
  - (c) education, training and recreation;
  - (d) domestic, family and personal relationships;
  - (e) contribution made to society;
  - (f) securing rights and entitlements;
  - (g) social and economic well-being;
  - (h) suitability of living accommodation.
- (3) In relation to a child, "well-being" also includes—
  - (a) physical, intellectual, emotional, social and behavioural development;
  - (b) "welfare" as that word is interpreted for the purposes of the Children Act 1989.
- (4) In relation to an adult, "well-being" also includes—
  - (a) control over day to day life;
  - (b) participation in work.

# 3 Meaning of "adult", "child", "carer" and "disabled"

- (1) This section applies for the purposes of this Act.
- (2) "Adult" means a person who is aged 18 or over.
- (3) "Child" means a person who is aged under 18.
- (4) "Carer" means a person who provides or intends to provide care for an adult or disabled child; but see subsections (7) and (8) and section 187(1).
- (5) A person is "disabled" if the person has a disability for the purposes of the Equality Act 2010, subject to provision made under subsection (6).
- (6) Regulations may provide that a person falling within a specified category is or is not to be treated as disabled for the purposes of this Act.
- (7) A person is not a carer for the purposes of this Act if the person provides or intends to provide care—
  - (a) under or by virtue of a contract, or
  - (b) as voluntary work.
- (8) But a local authority may treat a person as a carer for the purposes of any of its functions under this Act if the authority considers that the relationship between the person providing or intending to provide care and the person for whom that care is, or is to be, provided is such that it would be appropriate for the former to be treated as a carer for the purposes of that function or those functions.

# 4 Meaning of "care and support"

Any reference to care and support in this Act is to be construed as a reference to—

- (a) care;
- (b) support;
- (c) both care and support.