

“ we help to improve  
social care standards ”

**Carers Assessments: Getting it Right seminar**

# Skills for Care

Skills for Care ensures that England's adult social care workforce has the appropriately skilled people in the right places working to deliver high quality social care.

# Skills for Care.

To achieve this, we focus on the attitudes, values, skills and qualifications people need to undertake their roles.

Improving the skills of those supporting carers is one of our areas of work.

# Core Principles for Working With Carers – Skills for Care



CCP's underpin all of the following resources produced/offered by SfC in this area..

- Carers Matter; Everybody's Business
  - Dementia; workers and carers together.
  - Carers in your Workforce Matter
  - Learning for Carers Grants
- See [http://www.skillsforcare.org.uk/developing\\_skills/carers/carers\\_introduction.aspx](http://www.skillsforcare.org.uk/developing_skills/carers/carers_introduction.aspx)

Undertaking and  
implementing a Carers  
assessment skillfully; a  
gateway to change?

# Can offer change in the following areas;

- Identification of carers
- Perceptions of carers and their needs
- Partnerships between carers and professionals



# Legislative push...

- The Government White Paper ‘Caring for our Future; reforming care and support’ introduces an extension to ‘the right to an assessment to all carers and introduce a clear entitlement to support so they can maintain their own health and wellbeing’.

# Time for change.

- This project, in partnership with Carers Trust is aimed at identifying and defining the skills and knowledge needed by social care staff undertaking carers assessments . We then aim to give practical guidance and tools to the sector that are aimed at increasing these skills.

# Aims of the CA project.

It aims to give;

- Strategic overview of the field as it stands; who, how, why, what?
- Insight as to the implications of changing models of assessment and care on workforce and skills.
- Strategic guidance and direction; what does 'good' look like?
- Practical help and tools to improve skills

All of which will be based on carer experience and guidance.

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