



Association of Directors of Adult Social Services (ADASS) response to the Health Professionals Council (HPC) consultation on the threshold level of qualification for entry to the Register for social workers in England

The Association of Directors of Adult Social Services (ADASS) represents Directors of Adult Social Services in Local Authorities in England. As well as having statutory responsibilities for the commissioning and provision of social care, including the safeguarding of vulnerable adults, ADASS members often also share a number of responsibilities for housing, leisure, libraries, culture and the arts, community services and increasingly, children social care within their local authority.

ADASS is pleased to support the proposed threshold level of qualification for social workers in England to be set at bachelor degree with honours. This proposal complements the work of the Social Work Reform Board, which aims to support professional learning and career development of Social Workers and the threshold level is necessary to deliver safe and effective practice in social work.