

Carers Data – Short Life Working Group

Purpose of group:

- To develop data specification and guidance for new data collection on support to carers being introduced to monitor impact of Carers Act.
- To consider logistics of data collection:
 - Timings – annual / quarterly / monthly collection
 - How collected – aggregate level, individual level
 - Consultation on data spec with all LAs
 - Pilot form or go straight to full roll out

Members:

- Mike Brown (Chair) – Social Work Scotland
- Lynn Gallacher, Borders Carers
- Julie Young – The Dixon Community
- Susan Webster – East Dunbartonshire
- Philip Brown – City of Edinburgh
- Donna Hamilton – Falkirk
- Fraser Mitchell – Fife
- Fred Beckett - Glasgow
- Fiona McCulloch – Greater Glasgow and Clyde
- Julie Rintoul – SG: Health and Social Care Analysis
- Martin Devine – SG: Health and Social Care Analysis
- Lynn Lavery – SG: Carer's policy
- Alexandra Rosenberg, SG: Health and Social Care Analysis
- John McLean, SG: ScotXed

Do we have good mix of LAs and others? Are we missing anyone with an interest?

Timescales (this is what we proposed at event):

- 1) Develop more detailed specification and guidance. Short life working group (2-3 meetings) to take this forward during Summer 2016
- 2) Consult with all Local Authorities on the guidance – Autumn 2016
- 3) Speak to software providers about new data proposals
- 4) Begin with a quarterly data collection to assess how easy to complete and to consider data quality – 1st quarter Jan-March 2017
- 5) Refine guidance, publish data and continue with quarterly collection
- 6) Once data quality is good, consider moving to less frequent (annual) collection
- 7) Continue to collect data on Carers for 2016/17 Social Care Survey