

PROPOSALS FOR NATIONAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING OUTCOMES RELATING TO THE PUBLIC BODIES (JOINT WORKING) (SCOTLAND) ACT 2014

CONSULTATION QUESTIONS

1. Do you agree with the prescribed National Health and Wellbeing Outcomes?



If no, please explain why:

2. Do you agree that they cover the right areas?

Yes	Х
No	

3. If not, which additional areas do you think should be covered by the Outcomes?

4. Do you think that the National Health and Wellbeing Outcomes will be understood by users of services, as well as those planning and delivering them?



5. If not , why not?

6. Are there any further comments you would like to offer on these draft Regulations?

We are concerned that an unintended consequence of Outcome 2 could be that people lose out on specialist support because it is not recognised as a need in a community setting. An example could be posture support for someone with complex needs. Safeguards need to be built in to ensure that individuals are able to access the support they need and that staff undertaking assessments have sufficient knowledge to suggest a broad range of services.

We feel there is a disjunct between Outcome 4 and its policy background statement. The policy background statement is about the quality of support. Outcome 4 should have a background statement that talks about person centred support and overall well-being. We are also uncertain of the use of the term 'quality of life'. This outcome would be better worded to say that health and social care services promote the well-being of individuals through person centred support.

We feel that the policy statement in Outcome 5 should also list learning disability as a contributor to health inequality.