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SOCIAL CARE, WALES

The Revised Code of Practice on
the exercise of social services
functions in relation to Part 4
(direct payments and choice of
accommodation) and Part 5
(charging and financial assessment)
of the Social Services and Well-
being (Wales) Act 2014 (Appointed
Day) Order 2025

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order appoints 12 December 2025 as the day on which the revised Code of Practice on the exercise of social services functions in relation to Part 4 (direct payments and choice of accommodation) and Part 5 (charging and financial assessment) of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 comes into force.

The revised Code was issued by the Welsh Ministers under section 145(1) of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 (“the Act”) on 11 December 2025.

Section 145(3) of the Act requires local authorities to act in accordance with any relevant requirements contained in a code issued under section 145(1) and to have regard to any relevant guidelines contained in it.

The revised Code includes changes brought about by the Care and Support (Charging) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (S.I. 2024/330 (W. 59)) and the Care and Support (Charging) and (Financial Assessment) (Wales) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2025 (S.I. 2025/151 (W. 31)).

The revised Code can be accessed on the internet at www.wales.gov.uk or a printed copy can be obtained

from the Department of Health, Social Care and Early
Years, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff,
CF10 3NQ.

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Made

11 December 2025

The Welsh Ministers in exercise of the powers conferred by section 146(4)(b) of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014⁽¹⁾, make the following Order.

Title and interpretation

1.—(1) The title of this Order is the Revised Code of Practice on the exercise of social services functions in relation to Part 4 (direct payments and choice of accommodation) and Part 5 (charging and financial assessment) of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 (Appointed Day) Order 2025.

(2) In this Order, “the Revised Code” means the Code of Practice on the exercise of social services functions in relation to Part 4 (direct payments and choice of accommodation) and Part 5 (charging and financial assessment) of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014, a draft of which was laid, in accordance with section 146(2) of that Act, before

(1) 2014 anaw 4 (“the 2014 Act”).

Senedd Cymru⁽¹⁾ on 23 October 2025 and issued by the Welsh Ministers on 11 December 2025.

Appointed Day

2. The day appointed for the coming into force of the Revised Code is 12 December 2025.

Dawn Bowden

Minister for Children and Social Care, under the authority of the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care, one of the Welsh Ministers
11 December 2025

(1) Any reference in the 2014 Act to the National Assembly for Wales now has effect as a reference to Senedd Cymru by virtue of section 150A(2) of the Government for Wales Act 2006 (c. 32).