

Action on Elder Abuse Scotland National Conference 2017

(in association with Scottish Care)

Action
on elder abuse
Scotland

Challenging harm & abuse of older people



Choice, Empowerment, Protection... Can we Achieve Them all?

A human rights-based approach to supporting, empowering & protecting older people

27th October 2017

Hilton Hotel, 1 William Street, Glasgow, G3 8HT



Conference summary

At the heart of Scotland's unique adult support and protection framework is a commitment to upholding the human rights of those it is intended to support. It's main aims are to identify, support and protect adults at risk of harm. Yet, many practitioners struggle with the tensions between individual autonomy and 'state' protection. Is it possible to support and protect adults at risk of harm, while ensuring choice and empowerment for the individual?

Two of Scotland's leading representative organisations invite you to join our engaging conference to contribute to the debate, share experiences, and find out about national and local developments in this area.

Draft Conference Agenda

10.00 - 10.30 Registration – Tea/Coffee		
10.30 - 10.35	Welcome from the morning Conference Chair Ronnie Barnes, AEA Trustee	
10.35 – 10.45	Welcome from the conference hosts Lesley Carcary, Director of AEA Scotland Dr Donald Macaskill, Chief Executive of Scottish Care	
10.45 - 11.05	Cathy Assante, Legal Officer, Scottish Human Rights Commission Cathy will consider how to actively embed human rights into health and social care and adult safeguarding in the current social and economic climate.	
11.05 - 11.20	Paula John, Social Work Officer, Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland Tensions between individual autonomy and state protection - is it possible to support and protect adults at risk of harm, while ensuring choice and empowerment?	
Workshops		
11.20 - 12.30	Workshop 1	Lesley Carcary - AEA Scotland & Lucia Ciolanel - AEA England Peer support as a model of recovery: Introduction to AEA's peer support project for victims of elder abuse.
	Workshop 2	Donald Macaskill – Scottish Care Balancing human rights and risks in care delivery.

	Workshop 3	Facilitator to be confirmed The impact of loneliness as a risk factor for harm and abuse.
	Workshop 4	Tony Barclay – Perth & Kinross Council Inheritance or harm? Tackling financial harm in a familial context.
	Workshop 5	Paul Comley – National Adult Protection Coordinator (co-facilitator to be confirmed) How can we effectively care for those who self-neglect?
12.30 - 13.30 Lunch		
1.30 to 1.35	Welcome from the afternoon Conference Chair Glenda Watt, AEA Trustee	
13.35 - 14.15	Debate : “Do current supported decision-making procedures for vulnerable adults in Scotland contain appropriate safeguards and promote individual empowerment?” Yes – Sandra McDonald (Public Guardian, Office of the Public Guardian) No – Shaben Begum MBA - (Director, Scottish Independent Advocacy Alliance)	
14.15 - 15.20	Workshops (repeated from morning)	
15.20 – 15.45	Henry Mathias - Strategic Lead, National Care Standards Review, Care Inspectorate Scotland’s Health and Social Care Standards: a human rights based to approach to care. Henry’s presentation will be followed by a short group discussion at your tables.	
3.45 – 3.50	Closing remarks from Chair	
3.50	Conference closes	