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Legislative options to inform the development of an Adult Protection Bill for Northern Ireland

Consultation Questions

- 1. Do you agree with the title ‘Adult Protection Bill’?**

- 2. What are your views on a definition of ‘adult at risk and in need of protection’?**

- 3. Do you agree with the list of principles proposed? If no, what would you suggest as an alternative approach?**

- 4. What are your views on principles being set out on the face of legislation or in Statutory Guidance?**

- 5. Do you agree with mandatory reporting? Should there be a new duty to report to the HSC Trust where there is a reasonable cause to suspect that an 'adult is at risk and in need of protection'?**

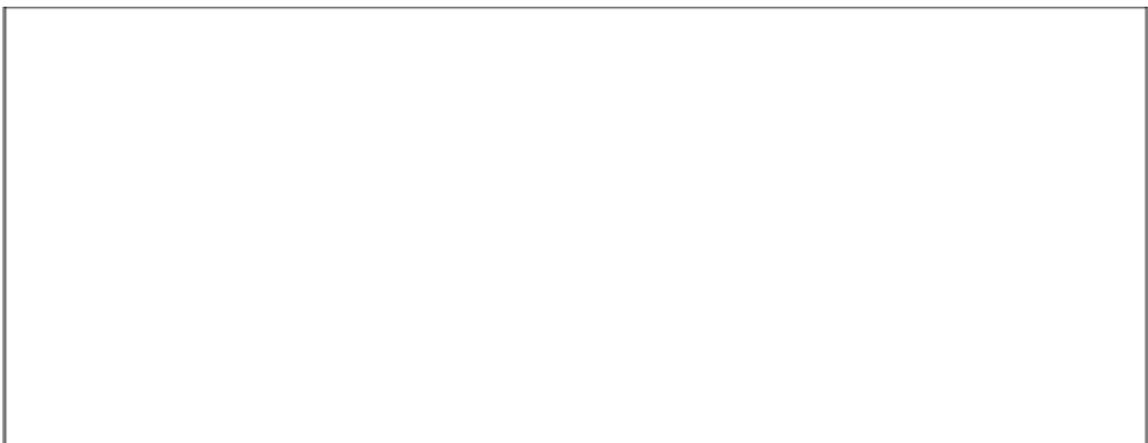
6. Should a new duty be placed on HSC Trusts to make follow up enquiries?



7. What are your views on a new power of entry to allow a HSC professional access to interview an adult in private? Do you think any additional powers should be available on entry?



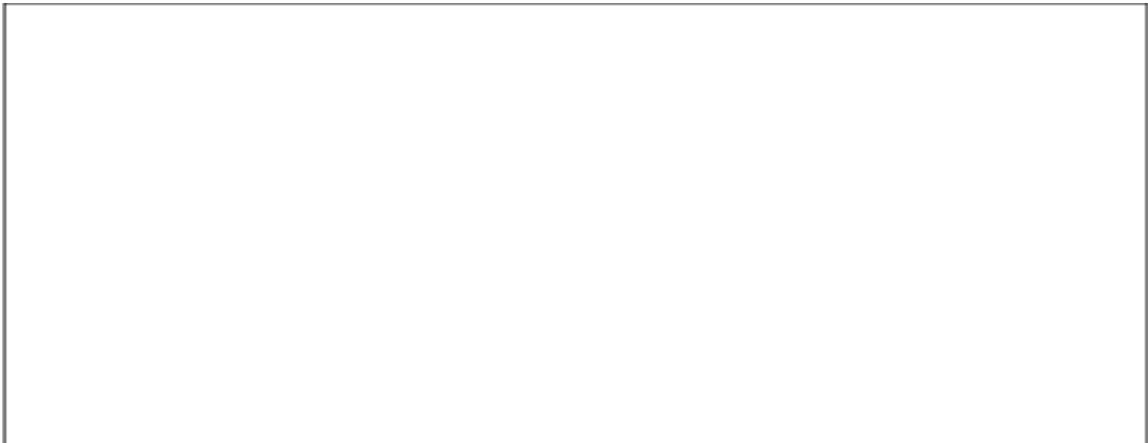
8. How many times in the last 12 months, have you been aware of a situation where, had a power of entry existed, it would have been appropriate to use it? What were the circumstances?



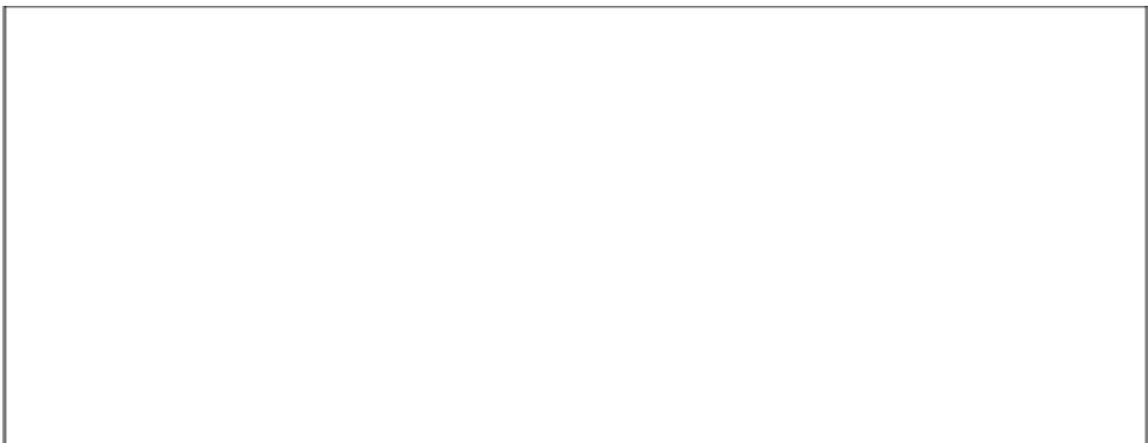
9. What are your views on statutory provision for independent advocacy in the context of adult protection?



10. Do you agree that an Independent Adult Protection Board should be established and placed on a statutory footing?



11. Do you agree with the introduction of Serious Case Reviews?



12. Do you agree with the proposal to introduce a duty to cooperate? Are there any aspects of the duty that you would change?

13. Do you think there should be a new power to access an adult's financial records as part of an adult protection enquiry? If yes, which organisation(s) should be given this power?

14. Do you agree that new offences of ill treatment and wilful neglect should be introduced?

15. Are there any other new offences that should be considered?

16. Finally, are there any other provisions that you would like to see included in the Adult Protection Bill?

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