

Carer Support and human rights

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- Why Human rights?
- Scotland's social care priorities
- Implementation problems
- The promise remains

10th December 1948

United Nations Declaration of Human Rights



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Human Rights have at their core the recognition that all human beings have an equal moral worth and inherent dignity.

Human rights – towards realisation

- ◆ Dignity is inherent to our humanity
- ◆ About relationships as well as law
- ◆ Conventions to protect and embed
- ◆ **Scottish progress:**
 - ✓ Mental Health Care and Treatment Act
 - ✓ Adults with Incapacity Act
 - ✓ Adult Support and Protection Act
 - ✓ Social Care (Self-directed Support) Act
 - ✓ ?? Carers Act 2016

The core Values and Principles of the SDS Act

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Respect

Fairness

Independence

Freedom

Safety

Statutory Values and Principles of the Act

• Participation and dignity

• Involvement

Practice

Act

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• Collaboration

• Informed choice

So much promise...
so poor an
implementation

SCOTLAND IS FAILING ITS BIGGEST HUMAN RIGHTS TEST!



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