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The Carers (Scotland) Act 2016

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Implementing The Carers Act in North Lanarkshire





Duties:

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New duties:

- Adult carers support plans & young carers statements
- Support to carers based on need which meets local eligibility criteria
- Emergency and future planning
- Information and advice services
- Consider the need for short breaks and produce a Short Break Services Statement
- Involve carers in hospital discharge
- Adhere to timescales for adult carers of terminally ill
- Prepare a local carers strategy

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**What we've done so
far**



Work streams and focus groups

- Adult Carers Support Plans
- Short Breaks
- Campaigning and information
- Eligibility criteria
- Hospital discharge
- Young Carers Statements



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Briefing sessions

- To raise awareness of our responsibilities
- Partnership working
- For health and social care staff
- For representatives from community organisations



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Adult Carer Support Plans

- Conversational approach
- Support provided to the cared-for person
- Impact of caring on carer's life
 - Health
 - Relationships
 - Finances
 - Social/recreational time
 - Ability to work or access education or training
 - Other daily activities
 - Any other aspects linked to their caring role.
- Ability to have a life of their own
- Carer's identified needs and personal outcomes
- Short breaks



Supports available for carers in NL

- Services provided for the cared-for person
- Carer specific organisations
- Community Capacity Building & Carer Support Network
- Local third sector organisations
- Others



Work ongoing or still to be done

- Involve carers in the hospital discharge process
- Produce a Short Breaks Services Statement
- Develop a new Strategy for Carers



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Thank You and Questions

