

Glossary and key responsibilities:

SSSC	Scottish Social Services Council- the regulatory body for social service workers in Scotland
CI	Care Inspectorate- the scrutiny and improvement body for social care, early learning and childcare, social work, and community justice.
PVG scheme	The Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Act 2007 (the Act) provides for a scheme whereby individuals with a known history of harm can be prevented from doing work with children and / or protected adults. The scheme is provided by Disclosure Scotland protection service. Disclosure Scotland do all of the administration for the PVG Scheme and make decisions about unsuitability on behalf of Scottish Ministers
HCPC	Health & Care Professions Council- HCPC regulate the following professions: arts therapists, biomedical scientists, chiropractors / podiatrists, clinical scientists, dieticians, hearing aid dispensers, occupational therapists, operating department practitioners, orthoptists, paramedics, physiotherapists, practitioner psychologists, prosthetists / orthotists, radiographers, social workers in England and speech and language therapists
GTCS	General Teaching Council for Scotland- regulatory body for teachers in Scotland
NMC	Nursing & Midwifery Council - regulatory body for nurses and midwives in England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland
ICO	Information Commissioner's Office- The UK's independent authority set up to uphold information rights in the public interest, promoting openness by public bodies and data privacy for individuals.
ACAS	Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service that provides free and impartial information and advice to employers and employees on all aspects of workplace relations and employment law.
TUPE	TUPE stands for the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 1981. The purpose of the Regulations is to protect employment rights when employees transfer from one business ("the transferor") to another ("the transferee"). The terms and conditions of employment of the transferring employees are maintained when a business or an undertaking, or part of one, is transferred to a new owner. The employees' continuity of service is preserved as well as the original terms, but the previous employer's benefits relating to old age, invalidity or survivors under occupational pension schemes are not transferred