

Respecting children's dignity and rights

Statutory guidance chapter 15.11

People can expect to experience care services which are underpinned by a human rights based approach in which their rights are respected, protected and fulfilled; they are involved in decisions that affect them; informed of their rights and entitlements; and provided with a form of redress if they believe their rights are being denied.

People must be treated with dignity and, as far as possible, be in control and able to express themselves about their requirements.

This would include involvement of their representatives as appropriate. For example, the Health and Social Care Standards, state in paragraph 4.1 'My human rights are central to the organisations that support and care for me'.

Other publications relevant to an individual could include [Adults with Incapacity \(Scotland\) Act 2000](#), [Children and Young People \(Scotland\) Act 2014](#), and the [guidance related to the Self-directed Support \(Scotland\) Act 2013](#).

Documents you may consider:

- [Nappy changing for early learning and childcare settings \(excluding childminders\)](#)
- [SSSC Codes of practice for social service workers and employers](#)