

Statement of Public Task under the Re-use of Public Sector Information Regulations

1. Background

The Scottish Social Services Council (SSSC) was created under the [Regulation of Care \(Scotland\) Act 2001](#) to protect people who use services, raise standards of practice and strengthen and support the professionalism of the workforce.

2. What we do

We are the regulator for the social service workforce in Scotland. Our work means the people of Scotland can count on social services provided by a trusted, skilled and confident workforce. We protect the public by registering social service workers, setting standards for their practice, conduct, training and education and by supporting their professional development. Where people fall below the standards of practice and conduct we can investigate and take action.

We:

- publish the national codes of practice for people working in social services and their employers
- register people working in social services and make sure they adhere to our codes of practice
- promote and regulate the learning and development of the social service workforce
- are the national lead for workforce development and planning for social services in Scotland.

3. Statement

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