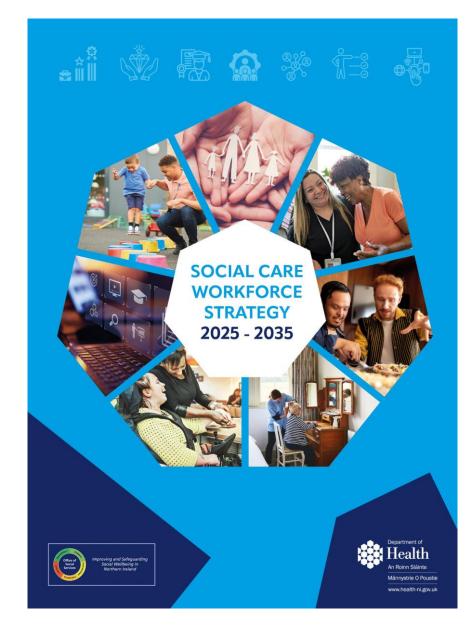
The Social Care Workforce Strategy 2025-2035

The importance of Learning and Development for social care



The Vision

To develop a highly motivated, skilled, confident and value driven social care workforce that is recognised and feels valued for the contribution it makes to service users and to society.



Priority 1: Social care will be an attractive career choice.

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Priorities

Priority 7: We will extend regulation of the social care workforce.

Priority 6: The social care workforce will be strengthened by enhanced digital capabilities.

> Priority 5: The social care workforce will be strengthened by effective strategic workforce planning

Priority 2: Social care practitioners will be recognised and feel valued for the work they do.

Priority 3: Social care practitioners will have access to qualifications and opportunities to develop and progress through on-going learning relevant to their role and function.

Priority 4: Social care services will be led by effective and compassionate leaders and managers.

STRATEGIC PRIORITY 3

Social Care Practitioners Will Have Access to Qualifications and Opportunities to Develop and Progress Through On-Going Learning Relevant to Their Role and Function





What we need to do

- Create a learning culture in which social care practitioners can continuously improve their practice by developing their skills and knowledge
- Ensure social care practitioners can access training and qualifications tailored to individual circumstances

Key Actions:



Develop and implement the Care in Practice (CiP) Framework Implement the Level 2 Certificate in Safe and Effective Practice

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Ensure Personal Assistants of Direct Payments have relevant skills and training

STRATEGIC PRIORITY 4

Social Care Services Will Be Led by Effective and Compassionate Leaders and Managers





What we need to do

Develop leaders and managers to:

- Foster a culture of empathy and compassion
- Lead across the wider system
- Identify training needs and implement programmes of learning and development
- Develop capability in the application of quality improvement methodologies

Key Actions



Registered managers will have Leadership and Management Level 5 qualification (or equivalent learning and development) in addition to any requirement for a professional qualification



Review management qualifications within children's social care services 3

Leaders and managers will have access to qualifications at Level 6 and above that reflect the needs of social care 4

Support the development of a learning culture



Year 1: 2025 to 2026

- Develop an implementation plan for all 22 actions within the strategy
- Further Develop the Care in Practice Framework with a particular focus for children social care services
- Support the implementation of the Level 2 Certificate in Safe and Effective Practice
- Increase awareness of the social care workforce strategy
- Ongoing collaboration and engagement with other key stakeholders

Thank you for listening