

**Carers (Scotland) Act 2016 – Implementation Steering Group
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Guidance Update

The following is a summary of guidance being prepared for Carers Act implementation.

Local eligibility criteria guidance will be finalised shortly.

We are working towards issuing all remaining guidance in near final draft form by December, with individual chapters to be circulated sooner as they are ready. The guidance as a whole cannot be issued as finalised until Scottish Parliament consideration of all regulations has been completed, which we expect to be March 2018.

Guidance chapter	Status
Introduction	To be drafted.
Definition of carer	Draft shared with pilot areas. Incorporating co-production workshop feedback.
Adult Carer Support Plan	Draft shared with pilot areas. Incorporating co-production workshop feedback.
Young Carer Statement	Draft shared with pilot areas. Incorporating co-production workshop feedback.
Local eligibility criteria	Near final draft issued.
Duty to provide support, including to consider breaks from caring	Draft shared with pilot areas. Incorporating co-production workshop feedback.
Replacement care	Being drafted.
Waiving of charges	To be updated.
Carer involvement	Draft shared with pilot areas. Incorporating co-production workshop feedback.
Carer involvement in hospital discharge of cared-for person	Draft shared with pilot areas. Incorporating co-production workshop feedback.
Local Carer Strategy	Near final draft issued.
Information and advice services	Draft shared with pilot areas. Incorporating co-production workshop feedback.
Short Breaks Services Statement	Draft shared with pilot areas. Incorporating co-production workshop feedback.
Carers charter	Not guidance but included for completeness. Consulting on draft.
Delegation of functions	Being drafted.
Transitional arrangements	To be drafted.
Glossary	To be drafted.

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