

# COLLABORATION AGREEMENT

to support 'transformation required for the  
Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014



## **Introduction**

We have come together as key partners with a shared interest in the principles of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 (the Act), planning to complement any other arrangements in place, to work towards cohesiveness in support of the Act's implementation.

### **1. Purpose is to:**

- a) provide a forum that enables collective responsibility, breaks down barriers and develops mature conversations and relationships
- b) promote and influence consistency nationally, regionally and locally
- c) inform and influence priorities about how best to promote the quality of services through the development and maintenance of a skilled and confident workforce
- d) model constructive and collaborative behaviour that is expected of others
- e) confirm the critical importance of the role played by third and private sector agencies in health and social care economies and the significance of those health and social care economies to the economic development of Wales
- f) undertake activities to support an agreed work programme.

### **2. Signatories are:**

ADSS Cymru

Care Forum Wales

Community Housing Cymru

Wales Council for Voluntary Action (WCVA)

Welsh NHS Confederation

Welsh Local Government Association (WLGA).

Signatories have the opportunity to invite other key partners, e.g. other independent sector representative bodies, including those offering children's services, to join the Collaboration Agreement if collectively agreed.

### **3. Rights and responsibilities:**

- a) to raise opportunities for and threats to successful implementation of the Act
- b) to be an advocate of the principles of the Act
- c) To declare any potential / actual conflicts of interest
- d) To promote the benefits of collaborative working and share responsibility.

### **4. Governance**

The signatories, who will make up the governance board, will have individual organisational executive responsibility to oversee the work programme and offer strategic direction for current and future collaboration.

The governance board will provide an activity report on a quarterly basis to the constituent bodies, where necessary seeking their endorsement of the developing direction.

This arrangement will be reviewed in October 2015, with the intention to continue this partnership until October 2017.

The work programme will be developed by ADSS Cymru and the Welsh NHS Confederation.

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