

# Care Act - Integration Cooperation and Partnerships

## Introduction

Integration has been a cornerstone of public policy, particularly across health and social care for many years. The Care Act 2014 now makes integration, cooperation and partnership a legal requirement on Local authorities and on all agencies involved in public care.



## Audience

This course is intended for:

- Those responsible for planning and delivering integrated care and support. This would include lead commissioning staff in Adult Social Care, the CCG and in other elements of the local authority such as planning and housing
- Managers in adult social care and in other parts of the local authority, health services (including the acute trusts, private hospitals, ophthalmic and pharmaceutical services) and housing providers. This would include managers of local authority, private and voluntary sector service providers
- Those involved in the governance of these organisations, in particular elected members and others who may sit on Health and Wellbeing Boards
- Staff who are impacted by, or likely to be impacted by, greater integration, cooperation and partnership working and who wish to understand some of the legislative and strategic implications of the Act

## Objectives

In this course you will:

- What the Act says and the duties that fall to local authorities
- The duty to promote greater integration
- The duty to cooperate
- Integration, cooperation and partnerships in practice
- Working together: examples
- Integration with the NHS
- Integration with housing providers
- Integration with other providers
- Strategic planning
- Commissioning across agencies
- Integrated assessments

## Modules

This course contains the following modules:

### Module name

Integration Cooperation and Partnerships - Integration

Integration Cooperation and Partnerships - Working with Health

## Content

Here are a few topics covered in this course:

What do we mean by integration, cooperation and partnerships?; Why is it important?; Duty to work together; Aims of cooperation; Partner organisations; Cooperation in specific cases; Cooperation in practice; How to request cooperation; Reasons for integrating and cooperating; Provision of healthcare; Hospital discharge; Who is responsible where there is delayed discharge?; Care Act Schedule 3; Suitable accommodation; Cooperation with housing; Information and advice about housing; Employment, training and education; Local authority responsibilities; Strategic planning; Commissioning across agencies; Pooled budgets; Integrating assessment and information; Contributing to assessments; Single assessments; Options for integration; Integration and carers