

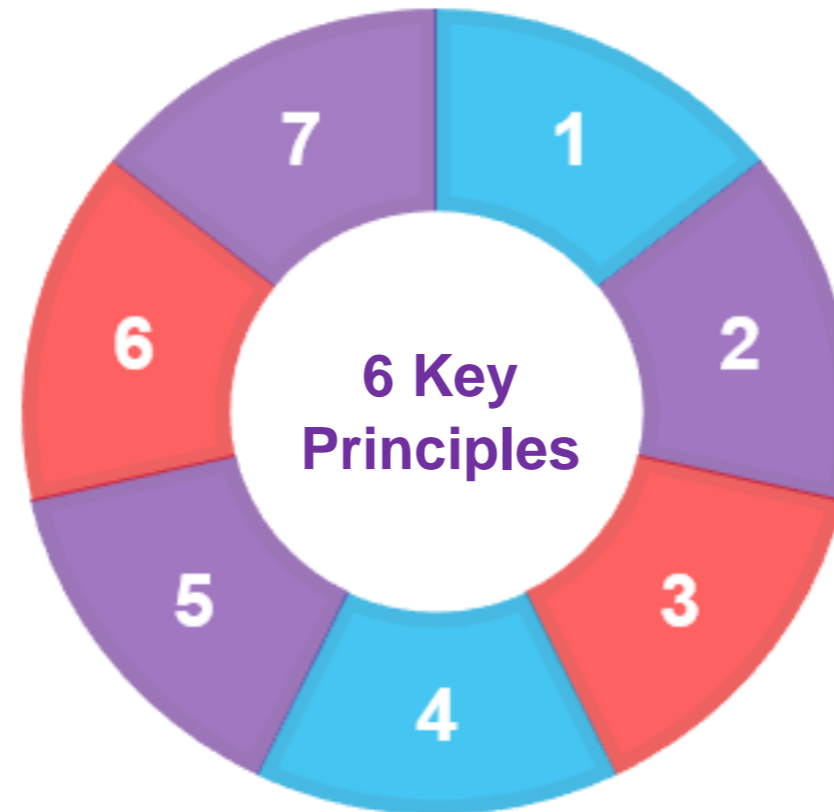
7 MINUTE BRIEFING

The Care Act 6 Key Principles



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PREVENTION THROUGH PARTNERSHIP



1. The Care Act 2014 6 Key Principles

There are 6 Principles set out in the Care Act 2014.

- Empowerment
- Prevention
- Proportionality
- Protection
- Partnership
- Accountability

All 6 principles are equally important.



2. Empowerment

People should be supported and encouraged to make their own decisions. This should be done by:

- making services more personal
- giving people choice and control over decisions
- asking people what they want the outcome to be

What does this mean for the adult?

The adult is asked what they want to happen and services plan safeguarding round this.



3. Prevention

Organisations should work together to stop abuse before it happens by:

- raising awareness about abuse and neglect
- training staff
- making sure clear, simple and accessible information is available about abuse and where people can get help

What does this mean for the adult?

The adult will be provided with clear and simple information about what abuse is and who to ask for help.



4. Proportionality

- when dealing with abuse situations services must ensure that they always think about the risk presented
- any response should be appropriate to the risk presented
- services must respect the person, think about what is best for them and only get involved as much as needed

What does this mean for the adult?

Services think about what is best for the adult and only get involved when they need to.



5. Protection

- organisations must ensure that they know what to do when abuse has happened by:
- what to do if there are concerns
- how to stop the abuse
- how to offer help and support for people who are at risk

What does this mean for the adult?

The adult will be offered help and support and can be involved in the safeguarding as much or as little as they want.



6. Partnership

- organisations should work in partnership with each other and local communities
- local people also have a part to play in preventing, detecting and reporting abuse

What does this mean for the adult?

Staff will keep the adult's personal information confidential and only share it when this helps to keep the adult safe.



7. Accountability

- Safeguarding is everybody's business. Everyone must accept that we are all accountable as individuals, services and as organisations
- roles and responsibilities must be clear so that people can see and check how safeguarding is done

What does this mean for the adult?

The adult should be supported to understand how agencies are helping to keep them safe.