

The Care Act 2014

A whole family approach – identifying young carers

- In assessment consideration must be given to the impact of the person's needs for care and support on family members or other people the authority feels are appropriate.
- The Care Act does not deal with assessment of people under the age of 18 who care for others. **However**, the Children and Families Act gives young carers and parent carers similar rights to assessment as other carers under the Care Act.
- The LA must identify any children who are involved in providing care – the LA must consider:
 - The impact of the person's needs on the young carer's wellbeing, welfare, education and development
 - Whether any of the caring responsibilities the young carer is undertaking are inappropriate.

