

## UPR in Contract Contr

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## Reform of the Human Rights Act

The UK Government has proposed legislation to repeal the Human Rights Act and replace it with a Bill of Rights. The Welsh Government opposes the reforms to the Human Rights Act.

We encourage states to recommend that the UK and Welsh Governments, where relevant:

- ensure that any changes to the human rights legal framework retain strong and
  effective legal protections, do not limit access to justice, or otherwise undermine human
  rights; and
- work with partners to improve human rights education and increase understanding of human rights among the public, media, policymakers and public authorities, as per our and others' recommendation.

## Social care

Existing pressure on adult social care has been exacerbated by the Covid-19 pandemic, and the UK and Welsh Governments have committed to reform the social care framework.

We encourage states to recommend that the UK and Welsh Governments, where relevant:

- ensure that social care policy, including proposed reforms, has a measurable impact on
  enhancing the rights of people with care needs, including through robust, transparent
  regulation that promotes equality and human rights; and
- incorporate the right to independent living in domestic law to ensure disabled people's rights in, and to, care are protected and can be enforced.



## Thank you

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