

*These notes refer to the Regulation and Inspection of Social Care
(Wales) Act 2016 (c.2) which received Royal Assent on 18 January 2016*

REGULATION AND INSPECTION OF SOCIAL CARE (WALES) ACT 2016

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 5 – Social Care Workers: Standards of Conduct, Education Etc.

Section 114 - Approval of courses etc.

165. Under the 2000 Act the Council approved qualifying and post-qualifying courses in social work. Section 114 retains this function but also provides SCW with the power to approve courses suitable for other social care workers. Requiring that social care workers must have certain qualifications in order to be registered is a way of ensuring workers are qualified but it does not in itself guarantee the quality of the courses that give rise to the qualifications. The intention of giving SCW a role in approving such courses is to maintain a high standard in the quality of the education to be provided to actual and prospective social care workers.