

These notes relate to the Adult Support and Protection (Scotland) Act 2007 (asp 10) which received Royal Assent on 21 March 2007

ADULT SUPPORT AND PROTECTION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2007

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT – AN OVERVIEW

Part 1

Protection of Adults at Risk of Harm

Assessment orders

Section 11 – Assessment orders

18. This section allows a council to make an application to a sheriff for an assessment order to allow a council officer to conduct a private interview or a health professional to conduct a private medical examination. Such orders will be valid for up to 7 days. An assessment order would only be necessary where it was not possible to carry out a private interview or medical examination within the place being visited under section 7 (see section 13). Applications can only be made where this action is required to establish whether the person is an adult at risk, and if so, to establish whether further action is required to protect them from harm.