# ADULT SUPPORT AND PROTECTION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2007

# **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

# THE ACT - AN OVERVIEW

### Part 1

# Protection of Adults at Risk of Harm

# Other provisions

# Section 52 – Persons authorised to perform functions under this Part

- 83. This section sets out who is able to perform functions under this part. Scottish Ministers have the power to restrict by order the type of individual who may be authorised by a council to perform those functions given to council officers under the adult protection measures. In any case, individuals must be authorised by the relevant council as being suitable to perform particular functions.
- 84. A health professional, who is authorised to carry out medical examinations under this Part, is defined as a doctor, a nurse, a midwife or any other suitably qualified individual as specified by order made by the Scottish Ministers.