

## Survey of social care workforce

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Members of the registered workforce have until Thursday 4 May to complete our pilot survey.

The survey asks questions on topics such as well-being, what it's like to work in social care, pay and conditions, training and qualifications.

An invitation to take part was e-mailed to everyone on the register April. The response will influence whether it's then rolled out every year.

The survey is being run on behalf of Social Care Wales by Swansea-based research agency, Opinion Research Services (ORS). The survey, and what it aims to achieve, is being supported by bodies that work closely with Social Care Wales, including Welsh Government and the Association of Directors of Social Services (ADSS) Cymru.

Sue Evans, Chief Executive of Social Care Wales, said: "The last three years have probably been the most difficult in living memory for social care in Wales and things are not any easier now. The ravages of Covid and the cost-of-living crisis have made it particularly challenging to keep providing care and support to the most vulnerable people in society.

"That's why we want to give social care workers a voice through this survey, so they can tell us how things really are. With this information, we can make sure our work is supporting them in the most effective way.

"We realise the pressure people are working under and how little time they have these days. So, filling in a survey is probably not high on their list of priorities. But we're asking for 15 minutes of people's time to provide their views. It could be time very well spent."

## **Frequently asked questions**

Workers invited to take part in the survey can find out more information in the answers to frequently asked questions here.