Why Do We Need This Document?
Service Users are supported by skilled, experienced and competent Shared Lives Carers.

National Minimum Standard 21.1
The registered manager ensures that Shared Lives Carers have the competencies and qualities to meet service users’ needs.

Welsh Assembly Government Guidance S11.2
The selection process should ensure that SL Carers have the competences and qualities required to meet Service Users’ needs.

Who Does This Document Cover?
- Shared Lives Carers
- Shared Lives Officers
- West Wales Shared Lives

What Does This Document Cover?
1. West Wales Shared Lives’ responsibility to have a process for the recruitment, assessment and selection of SL Carers and to ensure that through this process, the needs of Service Users can effectively and safely be met.
2. The selection and approval of Shared Lives Carers and the different stages that can lead to the process ending.
3. Prospective Shared Lives Carers can demonstrate that they are fit to provide Shared Lives services to vulnerable adults, and that they have knowledge, skills and abilities to do so.
4. The criteria for the selection.
This document should also be read in conjunction with the following:

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**Relevant Legislation and Statutory Guidance**

- Care Standards Act 2000
- Adult Placement Regulations 2004
- National Minimum Standards 2004
- WAG Policy & Practice Guidance 2002

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