



**WCAC2022**  
**7TH WORLD CONGRESS  
ON ADULT CAPACITY**  
Enhancing Autonomy, Support & Protection

## *Quick read* **About the Congress**

The 7th World Congress on Adult Capacity is on Tuesday 7th to Thursday 9th June 2022 in Edinburgh, Scotland. A Congress is a conference. People from anywhere in the world can attend.

The Congress is about how well laws work for adults who need someone to help them make decisions or to take decisions for them. It is about laws in all countries across the world.



The Congress is aimed at professionals such as lawyers, doctors, social workers and researchers. It will also be interesting to people who have powers to take decisions for others, like guardians. And it might be interesting to people who have someone appointed to take their decisions.

The Congress is about making decisions when an adult has a problem that affects their thinking. For example, adults with a learning disability, cognitive impairment, dementia, or a mental illness. It is also about protecting what rights the adult has.

The adult might need help with decisions about:

- their money
- where they live
- their treatment
- care and support
- daily activities.

The Congress is about how the law works when other people have the power to make decisions for someone else. It's also about how the adult can be involved in these decisions as much as possible. Some of the topics are:

- How to decide if someone can or can't take their own decisions
- Supporting an adult to make decisions or making decisions for them
- The right to be treated the same as everyone else
- Keeping people safe from harm
- Involving the adult and family and carers
- Improving laws and how well they work
- The rights every person has
- Experiences from COVID-19
- When adults who need help to make decisions can be involved in research.

You can see a full list of the topics [here](#).

If you are interested in attending fill in a form [here](#) and we will contact you when you can register.

We hope the Congress will go ahead as normal. But if there are changes because of the Covid-19 pandemic we will contact you.

We look forward to welcoming you!

