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**Consultation response to the Scottish Executive - Health Department****Adults with Incapacity (Scotland) Act 2000: Code of Practice (Second Edition)**

The Scottish Council on Human Bioethics (SCHB) is an independent, non-partisan, non-religious registered Scottish charity composed of doctors, lawyers, psychologists, ethicists and other professionals from disciplines associated with medical ethics.

The principles to which the Scottish Council on Human Bioethics subscribe are set out in the ***United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights*** which was adopted and proclaimed by the UN General Assembly by resolution 217A (III) on 10 December 1948.

The SCHB is very grateful to the Health Department of the Scottish Executive for this opportunity to respond to the consultation on the ***Adults with Incapacity (Scotland) Act 2000 – Code of Practice (Second Edition)***. It welcomes the Department's intent to promote public consultation, understanding and discussion on this topic.

The SCHB, however, has nothing further to add to the proposed ***Adults with Incapacity (Scotland) Act 2000 – Code of Practice (Second Edition)***.