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Appendix 3

FUNCTIONAL MAP/KEY ROLES FOR SOCIAL WORK NOS

Key role 1	**Maintain professional accountability**
SW1	Maintain an up to date knowledge and evidence base for social work practice
SW2	Develop social work practice through supervision and reflection
Key role 2	**Practise professional social work**
SW3	Manage your role as a professional social worker
SW4	Exercise professional judgement in social work
SW5	Manage ethical issues, dilemmas and conflicts
SW6	Practise social work in multi-disciplinary contexts
SW7	Prepare professional reports and records relating to people
Key role 3	**Promote engagement and participation**
SW8	Prepare for social work involvement
SW9	Engage people in social work practice
SW10	Support people to participate in decision-making processes
SW11	Advocate on behalf of people
Key role 4	**Assess needs, risks and circumstances**
SW12	Assess needs, risks and circumstances in partnership with those involved
SW13	Investigate harm or abuse
Key role 5	**Plan for person centred outcomes**
SW14	Plan in partnership to address short and longer term issues
SW15	Agree risk management plans to promote independence and responsibility
SW16	Agree plans where there is risk of harm or abuse
Key role 6	**Take actions to achieve change**
SW17	Apply methods and models of social work intervention to promote change
SW18	Access resources to support person centred solutions
SW19	Evaluate outcomes of social work practice
SW20	Disengage at the end of social work involvement