

Change of care home 'culture' is required

There needs to be a completely new culture in care homes, according to comments made by one government minister.

Speaking on GMTV, Ivan Lewis, the care services minister, argued that the general public should be outraged by any disrespect shown to the elderly in residential care homes, reports Channel 4 News.

He stipulated that there ought to be a "zero tolerance" approach to such treatment should it occur and that more of a focus needs to be maintained on the sector.

"We need to get that message across to frontline staff and particularly to managers," he commented to the programme.

"And we need to be as outraged as a society by the abuse of an older person as we are by the abuse of a child."

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