

Ministerial responsibilities in the new Government around multiple needs

On 13 July Theresa May appointed her new Cabinet. In her [first public statement](#) as Prime Minister, she signalled that she will place issues of social justice at the centre of the new government's policy programme.

This briefing sets out the Ministerial positions that we think are likely to have the most significant responsibilities affecting people with multiple needs.

Department for Communities and Local Government



[Gavin Barwell](#) MP becomes Minister of State for Housing and Planning. His responsibilities include:

- housing supply policy
- private rented sector regulation



[Marcus Jones](#) MP remains Minister for Local Government. His responsibilities include:

- adult social care
- welfare reform (in relation to DCLG policies)
- homelessness

Department of Health



[Nicola Blackwood](#) MP becomes Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Public Health and Innovation. Her responsibilities include:

- health improvement, including: tobacco, alcohol, obesity, physical activity, drugs, addiction to medicines
- mental health services
- homelessness
- prison health services
- Ministerial lead for Public Health England



[David Mowat](#) MP becomes Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Community Health and Care. His responsibilities include:

- adult social care
- integration of health and social care

Home Office



[Sarah Newton](#) MP becomes Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Vulnerability, Safeguarding and Countering Extremism. Her responsibilities include:

- drugs
- alcohol
- mental health
- violence against women and girls
- sexual violence, prostitution and lap dancing
- domestic violence

Ministry of Justice



[Elizabeth Truss](#) MP becomes Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice.



[Sam Gyimah](#) MP becomes Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Prisons and Probation. His responsibilities include:

- prison reform
- prison operations and population
- probation services and reform
- public protection and offender management
- sentencing
- rehabilitation



Dr [Philip Lee](#) MP becomes Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Victims, Youth and Family Justice. His responsibilities include:

- offender health and mental health
- substance misuse
- female offenders

Department for Work and Pensions



Rt Hon [Damian Green](#) MP becomes Secretary of State for Work and Pensions



[Penny Mordaunt](#) MP becomes Minister of State for Disabled People, Health and Work. Her responsibilities include:

- disability employment, including Disability Confident, Work Choice, Access to Work, the Work and Health Programme and mental health in the workplace
- financial support for sick and disabled claimants



Rt Hon [Lord Freud](#) remains Minister of State for Welfare Reform. His responsibilities include:

- Universal Credit
- Universal Support



[Damian Hinds](#) MP becomes Minister of State for Employment. His responsibilities include:

- employment strategy, including disadvantaged groups, conditionality and sanctions
- Jobcentre Plus, Universal Jobmatch and employer engagement

You can also read [the full list of appointments](#) across all departments.

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