Figure 1: Mental Capacity Assessment Adult at risk Is there concern over the Adult's mental capacity Yes to make decisions about their safety? Person concerned about their welfare should carry No out a mental capacity assessment of the Adult Adult lacks mental Adult with mental capacity to capacity about protect themselves their safety Views and wishes of the adult gathered and followed as much as possible Adult supported to make decisions e.g. by giving information and options of safety Views of the Adult's friends and / or family gathered and considered Risks of safety identified Support or services offered to mitigate the risks of safety Least restrictive alternative (of the Adult's human rights) intervention considered e.g. person attends day activity rather than respite in care home Independent Mental capacity Advocate (IMCA) Care Act Advocate / other appropriate advocate Best Interest Checklist followed and decision Adult decides for themselves / consents maker decides for adult