

# Healthcare Briefing

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## Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards: In force April 2009

The implementation date for the deprivation of liberty safeguards is now fast approaching: 1<sup>st</sup> April 2009.

If you have the care of an incapacitated adult who lacks capacity and their care plan amounts to a deprivation of their liberty, a formal Authorisation must be sought from the local authority or PCT (depending upon whether your unit is registered as a care home or hospital respectively).

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**Time is fast running out, you need to act NOW!**

Further information is available from our previous briefings on this (available in the Publications section of our website at [www.rlb-law.com](http://www.rlb-law.com)).

A detailed policy explaining the ramifications of the legislation is also available from RadcliffesLeBrasseur.

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