

These notes relate to the Primary Medical Services (Scotland) Act 2004 (asp 1) which received Royal Assent on 27 January 2004

PRIMARY MEDICAL SERVICES (SCOTLAND) ACT 2004

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT – AN OVERVIEW

Part 1: Provision of Primary Medical Services

Section 3 – Revocation of power to make pilot schemes

24. Under current powers, personal medical services can either be provided through pilot schemes under the 1997 Act or as permanent schemes under section 17C of the 1978 Act. For pilot schemes a business case must be approved by the local Health Board, then approved by the Scottish Ministers. Permanent schemes are approved at Health Board level only. This section prevents the creation of new pilot schemes for the provision of personal medical services after the date on which it comes into force. (Existing pilot schemes for the provision of such services are not affected by the section. An order made under section 7 of the Act may make appropriate provision for such schemes.)