

Primary Medical Services (Scotland) Act 2004 2004 asp 1

PART 1

PROVISION OF PRIMARY MEDICAL SERVICES

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- (1) The 1978 Act is amended as follows.
- (2) After section 17O (as inserted by section 4 above) insert—

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- (1) Regulations may provide that a health care professional of a prescribed description may not perform any primary medical service which a Health Board is, under section 2C(1), under a duty to provide or secure the provision of unless that professional is included in a list maintained under the regulations by the Health Board.
- (2) For the purposes of this section, "health care professional" means a member of a profession regulated by a body for the time being mentioned in section 25(3) of the National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17).
- (3) Regulations under subsection (1) may make provision in relation to such lists and in particular as to—
 - (a) the preparation, maintenance and publication of a list;
 - (b) eligibility for inclusion in a list;

- (c) applications for inclusion (including provision for the procedure for applications to be made and dealt with and the documents to be supplied on application);
- (d) the grounds on which an application for inclusion may or must be granted or refused;
- (e) requirements with which a person included in a list must comply (including requirements as to standards of performance and patient care and as to declarations, consents or undertakings);
- (f) suspension or removal from a list (including the grounds for and consequences of suspension or removal);
- (g) circumstances in which a person included in a list may not withdraw from it:
- (h) payments to be made by a Health Board in respect of a person suspended from the list (including provision for the amount of, or the method of calculating, the payment to be determined by the Scottish Ministers);
- (i) the criteria to be applied in making decisions under the regulations;
- (j) appeals against decisions made by a Health Board under the regulations;
- (k) disclosure of information about applicants for inclusion, refusals of applications, or suspensions, removals or references to the Tribunal.
- (4) Regulations making provision as to the matters referred to in subsection (3) (k) may in particular authorise the disclosure of information—
 - (a) by a Health Board to the Scottish Ministers; and
 - (b) by the Scottish Ministers to a Health Board."
- (3) In section 29 (the NHS Tribunal)—
 - (a) in subsection (6), after "list" in the second place where it occurs insert
 - in relation to a list referred to in subsection (8)(a), perform or undertake to provide;
 - (b) in relation to any other list referred to in subsection (8),",
 - (b) for paragraphs (a) and (aa) of subsection (8) substitute—
 - "(a) a list of health care professionals of a prescribed description performing primary medical services;",
 - (c) after that subsection insert—
 - "(8A) In subsection (8)(a), "health care professional" has the same meaning as in section 17D."