

These notes relate to the Certification of Death (Scotland) Act 2011 (asp 11) which received Royal Assent on 20 April 2011

CERTIFICATION OF DEATH (SCOTLAND) ACT 2011

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Other functions of medical reviewers

Section 21: Duty to co-operate

53. The new system of scrutiny has to connect with agencies and systems in the NHS. The Common Services Agency, for example will provide statistical support services for the review system. This section provides that NHS Boards, the Common Services Agency for the Scottish Health Service and medical reviewers (including the senior medical reviewer) have a duty to co-operate with one another in connection with the review of medical certificates of cause of death, the information gathered and analysed and the administrative processes for the disposal of bodies.