



# Health Act 2009

## 2009 CHAPTER 21

### PART 3

#### MISCELLANEOUS

##### *Pharmaceutical services in England*

## 25 Pharmaceutical needs assessments

After section 128 of the National Health Service Act 2006 (c. 41) insert—

### **“128A Pharmaceutical needs assessments**

- (1) Each Primary Care Trust must in accordance with regulations—
  - (a) assess needs for pharmaceutical services in its area, and
  - (b) publish a statement of its first assessment and of any revised assessment.
- (2) The regulations must make provision—
  - (a) as to information which must be contained in a statement;
  - (b) as to the extent to which an assessment must take account of likely future needs;
  - (c) specifying the date by which a Primary Care Trust must publish the statement of its first assessment;
  - (d) as to the circumstances in which a Primary Care Trust must make a new assessment.
- (3) The regulations may in particular make provision—
  - (a) as to the pharmaceutical services to which an assessment must relate;
  - (b) requiring a Primary Care Trust to consult specified persons about specified matters when making an assessment;
  - (c) as to the manner in which an assessment is to be made;

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- (d) as to matters to which a Primary Care Trust must have regard when making an assessment.”

**Commencement Information**

- I1** S. 25 in force at 18.3.2010 for specified purposes by [S.I. 2010/779](#), **art. 2**  
**I2** S. 25 in force at 24.5.2010 in so far as not already in force by [S.I. 2010/779](#), **art. 2**

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 2(6)(ca) inserted by [2022 c. 31 Sch. 3 para. 57\(b\)](#)
- s. 2(6)(ea) inserted by [2022 c. 31 Sch. 3 para. 57\(c\)](#)

**Commencement Orders yet to be applied to the Health Act 2009**

Commencement Orders bringing provisions within this Act into force:

- [S.I. 2011/1255 art. 2](#) amendment to earlier commencing SI 2010/1068 art. 2