



# Care Act 2014

## 2014 CHAPTER 23

### PART 3

#### HEALTH

### CHAPTER 2

#### HEALTH RESEARCH AUTHORITY

##### *Research ethics committees*

#### **113 Approval of research**

- (1) The HRA must publish guidance about—
  - (a) the cases in which, in its opinion, good practice requires a person proposing to conduct health or social care research that involves individuals to obtain the approval of a research ethics committee recognised or established by the HRA under this Chapter, and
  - (b) the cases in which an enactment requires a person proposing to conduct research of that kind to obtain that approval.
- (2) Before publishing guidance under subsection (1), the HRA must—
  - (a) consult the devolved authorities and such other persons as the HRA considers appropriate, and
  - (b) obtain the approval of the Secretary of State.
- (3) The HRA may revise guidance under subsection (1) and, where it does so, it must publish the guidance as revised; subsection (2) applies to revised guidance in so far as the HRA considers the revisions significant.
- (4) Schedule 8 (which amends various references to research ethics committees in secondary legislation) has effect.