



National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

1978 CHAPTER 29

PART I

ORGANISATION

^{F2} Quality

^{F2}12H ^{F1}Duty of quality.

- (1) It shall be the duty of each Health Board, Special Health Board and NHS trust and of the Agency to put and keep in place arrangements for the purpose of monitoring and improving the quality of health care which it provides to individuals.
- (2) The reference in subsection (1) to health care which a body there mentioned provides to individuals includes health care which the body provides jointly with another person to individuals.

[Each Health Board must put and keep in place arrangements for the purposes of ^{F3}(2A) monitoring and improving the quality of services provided under the 2021 Act which it provides to individuals.

(2B) The reference in subsection (1A) to services under the 2021 Act which a body provides to individuals includes services which the body provides jointly with another person to individuals.]]

^{F4}(3)

Textual Amendments

F1 S. 12H inserted (1.10.1999) by 1999 c. 8, s. 51; S.S.I. 1999/90, art. 2(a), Sch. 1

F2 S. 12H and cross-heading inserted (1.10.1999) by 1999 c. 8, s. 51; S.S.I. 1999/90, art. 2(a), Sch. 1

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- F3** S. 12H(2A)(2B) inserted (1.4.2022) by The Forensic Medical Services (Modification of Functions of Healthcare Improvement Scotland and Supplementary Provision) Regulations 2022 (S.S.I. 2022/88), reg. 1, **sch. para. 8**
- F4** S. 12H(3) repealed (1.4.2024) by Health and Care (Staffing) (Scotland) Act 2019 (asp 6), **ss. 4(3)**, 15(2); S.S.I. 2024/20, reg. 2(2)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- s. 12H(1) words substituted by [2004 asp 7 sch. 1 para. 1\(4\)](#)

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. 16A(5) added by [2002 asp 5 Sch. 2 para. 2\(2\)](#)
- s. 19A(2)(b) words repealed by [2003 asp 4 sch. 4 para. 5\(4\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 4 para. 5(4)-(9) omitted (1.4.2004) by virtue of S.S.I. 2004/167, Sch. para. 7)
- s. 19B(2)(a) words substituted by [2003 asp 4 sch. 4 para. 5\(5\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 4 para. 5(4)-(9) omitted (1.4.2004) by virtue of S.S.I. 2004/167, Sch. para. 7)
- s. 19B(2)(b) substituted by [2003 asp 4 sch. 4 para. 5\(5\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 4 para. 5(4)-(9) omitted (1.4.2004) by virtue of S.S.I. 2004/167, Sch. para. 7)
- s. 19B(2)(c) words substituted by [2003 asp 4 sch. 4 para. 5\(5\)\(c\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 4 para. 5(4)-(9) omitted (1.4.2004) by virtue of S.S.I. 2004/167, Sch. para. 7)
- s. 19B(2)(e) word substituted by [2003 asp 4 sch. 4 para. 5\(5\)\(d\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 4 para. 5(4)-(9) omitted (1.4.2004) by virtue of S.S.I. 2004/167, Sch. para. 7)
- s. 70A inserted by [1997 c. 46 s. 26\(2\)](#)
- s. 70A(2) word substituted by [2005 asp 13 s. 14\(3\)](#)
- s. 85AB(7) inserted by [2005 asp 13 sch. 2 para. 2\(18\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 11 para. 2(1A) inserted by [2005 asp 13 s. 14\(6\)\(a\)](#)