

CARE ACT 2014

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 3 - Health

Chapter 1 - Health Education England

National Functions

Section 100 – Objectives, priorities and outcomes

609. *Subsection (1)* stipulates that the Secretary of State must publish a document which specifies the objectives and priorities for HEE in relation to the education and training to be provided to health care workers. This document will be commonly referred to as HEE's mandate. It will be reviewed annually, before the beginning of each financial year, and republished if changes are made.
610. *Subsection (2)* stipulates that the Secretary of State will publish a document that sets the outcomes for HEE to achieve having regard to its objectives and priorities. The document will be known as the Education Outcomes Framework and will include outcomes applicable to other organisations in the health and public health system. It will be supported by a range of measures so that the system can demonstrate at all levels education quality outcomes as they impact on patient experience, care and safety.
611. *Subsection (3)* permits the Secretary of State to revise HEE's mandate and the Education Outcomes Framework and also provides that it must be republished if it is revised.
612. *Subsection (4)* requires HEE to publish a document which specifies the priorities, objectives and outcomes it expects to achieve; these priorities, objectives and outcomes must be consistent with those set by the Secretary of State at subsections (1) and (2) above. The document must also include guidance to LETBs about how they should carry out their commissioning functions. HEE is required to review the document annually and republish it if it is amended. This document will be developed in consultation with the NHS Commissioning Board (known as NHS England) and Public Health England. It will underpin the relationship and resource allocation arrangements between HEE and the LETBs. It will set out the medium to long term context for the development of the NHS and public health workforce, and will provide the framework within which the LETBs will develop their education and training plans. *Subsection (5)* provides that in producing the document, HEE must have regard to longer term objectives relating to workforce planning and education and training provision. HEE's duty under subsection (4) can be met by publishing two or more documents which taken together comply with its obligations.
613. *Subsection (8)* requires HEE to review the document annually and if it revises it then it must republish the revised document.