

# CARE ACT 2014

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

#### **Part 3 - Health**

#### *Chapter 1 - Health Education England*

#### **Local functions**

#### *Section 103 – Local Education and Training Boards*

618. This section provides for HEE's appointment of committees, known as Local Education and Training Boards (LETBs), to exercise HEE's functions on its behalf in so far as they are exercisable in respect of the local area. LETBs will plan and commission education and training and quality assure the education and training that has been commissioned for their areas. The LETB, as a committee of HEE, will work within the national framework set by HEE, but within that will address local priorities for education and training and be a forum for local workforce development in the NHS and public health system.
619. *Subsection (3)* confirms that the LETB should represent the interests of all providers of NHS and public health services in the area of the LETB. It is important that the LETB acts on behalf of all providers, for example, across primary care, secondary care and the public health system.
620. *Subsection (4)* ensures that the duties imposed on HEE by section 99 (1), (2) and (4) (quality improvement in education and training etc.) also apply to LETBs.
621. *Subsection (5)* provides that LETBs may co-operate with each other and two or more LETBs may exercise their functions jointly. LETBs may also be required to work closely together on specific elements of workforce planning or education provision, for example, where a healthcare provider has a presence in two or more LETBs.
622. *Subsection (6)* permits HEE to attend any LETB meetings about a matter of concern to HEE. This may be required where HEE has serious concerns about delivery of national workforce priorities, objectives and outcomes.