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S C H E D U L E S

^{F1}SCHEDULE 7A

Section 20A

FURTHER PROVISIONS ABOUT COUNCILS UNDER SECTION 20A

Textual Amendments

F1 Sch. 7A inserted (20.10.2003 for W., 1.12.2003 for E.) by Health (Wales) Act 2003 (c. 4), ss. 1(3), 10(2), Sch. 1; S.I. 2003/2660, art. 2(1)(i)(2); S.I. 2003/3064, art. 2(1)(i)(2)

- 1 It is the duty of a Council—
 - (a) to represent the interests in the health service of the public in its district; and
 - (b) to perform such other functions as may be conferred on it by regulations under paragraph 2.
- 2 The National Assembly for Wales may by regulations make provision about—
 - (a) the membership of Councils (including the election by members of a Council of a member to chair the Council);
 - (b) the proceedings of Councils;
 - (c) the staff, premises and expenses of Councils;
 - (d) the discharge of any function of a Council by a committee of the Council or by a joint committee appointed with another Council;
 - (e) the appointment, as members of a committee or joint committee, of persons who are not members of the Council or Councils concerned;
 - (f) the consultation of Councils by Health Authorities, Local Health Boards, Strategic Health Authorities, Primary Care Trusts and NHS trusts with respect to such matters, and on such occasions, as may be prescribed;
 - (g) the consideration by Councils of matters relating to the operation of the health service within their districts, and the giving of advice by Councils to Health Authorities, Local Health Boards and NHS trusts on such matters;
 - (h) the preparation and publication of reports by Councils;
 - (i) matters to be included in any such report;
 - (j) the furnishing and publication by Health Authorities, Local Health Boards and NHS trusts of comments on reports of Councils;
 - (k) the provision of information (including descriptions of information which are or are not to be provided) to Councils by Health Authorities, Local Health Boards, Strategic Health Authorities, Primary Care Trusts or NHS trusts;
 - (l) the provision of information (including descriptions of information which are or are not to be provided) by Councils to other persons (including other Councils);
 - (m) the provision by Councils on behalf of the Assembly of the independent advocacy services required to be provided under section 19A of this Act;

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- (n) the functions to be exercised by Councils in addition to those exercisable otherwise by virtue of this Schedule.
- 3 (1) The Assembly may make regulations requiring—
(a) Health Authorities;
(b) Local Health Boards;
(c) Strategic Health Authorities;
(d) Primary Care Trusts;
(e) local authorities;
(f) NHS trusts;
(g) persons providing services under Part 2 of this Act or under arrangements under section 28C of this Act; or
(h) persons providing piloted services under pilot schemes established under section 28 of the Health and Social Care Act 2001 (c. 15), or providing LP services under an LPS scheme established under Schedule 8A to this Act,
to allow members of a Council authorised by or under the regulations to enter and inspect, for the purposes of any of the Council's functions, premises owned or controlled by those referred to in paragraphs (a) to (h).
- (2) The Assembly may also make regulations requiring any other person who owns or controls premises where services are provided as mentioned in sub-paragraph (1)(g) or (h) to allow members of a Council authorised by or under the regulations to enter and inspect the premises for the purposes of any of the Council's functions.
- (3) The regulations may in particular make provision as to—
(a) cases and circumstances in which access is to be permitted;
(b) limitations or conditions to which access is to be subject.
- 4 The Assembly may by regulations—
(a) provide for the establishment of a body—
(i) to advise Councils with respect to the performance of their functions, and to assist Councils in the performance of their functions; and
(ii) to perform such other functions as may be prescribed; and
(b) provide for the membership, proceedings, staff, premises and expenses of that body.
- 5 The Assembly may pay to members of Councils and any body established under paragraph 4 such travelling and other allowances (including compensation for loss of remunerative time) as it may determine.]

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

- Act repealed by [2006 c. 43 Sch. 4](#)

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

- s. 3(4) inserted by [2003 c. 43 Sch. 11 para. 8](#)
- s. 3(4)(a) words substituted by [2006 c. 28 Sch. 8 para. 7\(4\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 3(4)(b) modified by [S.I. 2004/865 art. 109\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 3(4)(b) words substituted by [2006 c. 28 Sch. 8 para. 7\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 8(9)(10) added by [2006 c. 28 s. 74\(1\)](#)
- s. 11(4A)(4B) inserted by [2006 c. 28 s. 74\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 16CD16CE inserted by [2006 c. 28 s. 37](#)
- s. 19A(2)(aa) inserted by [2003 c. 43 Sch. 9 para. 9](#)
- s. 21(4) inserted by [S.I. 2006/1407 Sch. 1 Pt. 1 para. 9](#)
- s. 22(1A)(e) inserted by [2003 c. 43 Sch. 4 para. 25](#)
- s. 28D(1)(bc)(i) modified by [S.I. 2004/865 art. 109\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 28D(1)(bc)(iii) words substituted by [S.I. 2004/957 Sch. para. 3](#)
- s. 28E(3)(ca) inserted by [2003 c. 43 s. 177\(7\)](#)
- s. 28E(3A)(3B) inserted by [2003 c. 43 s. 177\(8\)](#)
- s. 28E(3C) inserted by [2003 c. 43 s. 177\(9\)](#)
- s. 28E(3D) inserted by [2003 c. 43 s. 177\(10\)](#)
- s. 28E(3E)(3F) inserted by [2003 c. 43 s. 177\(11\)](#)
- s. 28M(4) words substituted by [S.I. 2006/1407 Sch. 1 Pt. 1 para. 16](#)
- s. 28W(5) applied by [S.I. 2004/478 reg. 100\(3\)](#)
- s. 28W(5) applied by [S.I. 2004/478 Sch. 6 para. 100\(3\)](#)
- s. 28X applied (with modifications) by [S.I. 2006/552 Sch. 1 para. 4](#)
- s. 28X heading words substituted by [2006 c. 28 s. 39\(5\)](#)
- s. 28X(1A) inserted by [S.I. 2006/1407 Sch. 1 Pt. 1 para. 17\(a\)](#)
- s. 28X(2A) inserted by [2006 c. 28 s. 39\(2\)](#)
- s. 28X(3)(b) words substituted by [2006 c. 28 s. 39\(3\)](#)
- s. 28X(3)(c) added by [S.I. 2006/1407 Sch. 1 Pt. 1 para. 17\(b\)](#)
- s. 28X(6A) inserted by [2006 c. 28 s. 39\(4\)](#)
- s. 28Y inserted by [2003 c. 43 s. 180](#)
- s. 28Y(1) applied (with modifications) by [S.I. 2006/552 Sch. 1 para. 5](#)
- s. 28Y(1)(a) substituted by [2006 c. 28 s. 40\(2\)](#)
- s. 28Y(1)(b) words substituted by [2006 c. 28 s. 40\(3\)](#)
- s. 28Y(1)(c) added by [S.I. 2006/1407 Sch. 1 Pt. 1 para. 18](#)
- s. 28WA-28WF and cross-heading inserted by [2006 c. 28 s. 38](#)
- s. 29-34A repealed by [2003 c. 43 s. 175\(2\) Sch. 14 Pt. 4](#)
- s. 34A inserted by [1997 c. 46 s. 25\(1\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 25(1) repealed (1.4.2004) without ever being in force by Health and Social Care (Community Health and Standards) Act 2003 (c. 43), s. 199(1) (4), Sch. 14 Pt. 4 Note; S.I. 2004/288, art. 6(2)(p) (with art. 8) (as amended by S.I. 2004/866 and S.I. 2005/2925); S.I. 2004/480, art. 5(2)(p) (with arts. 6, 7) (as amended by S.I. 2004/1019 and S.I. 2006/345))
- s. 35(3)-(3B) substituted for s. 35(3) by [S.I. 2005/2011 Sch. 6 para. 1\(2\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment comes into force on a day to be specified in the London, Edinburgh and Belfast Gazettes (see, for example, the London Gazette, issue nos. 57734, 57975, 58050 and 58769, dated respectively 19.8.2005, 5.6.2006, 21.7.2006 and 18.7.2008))
- s. 42(2A) inserted by [2001 c. 15 s. 40\(3\)](#)
- s. 42(2B)(2C) inserted by [2006 c. 28 s. 35](#)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- s. 42A42B inserted by 2006 c. 28 s. 34(1)- s. 43(4)(5) added by 1997 c. 19 Sch. para. 6 (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. 1997 c. 19 repealed (30.3.2007) by S.I. 2007/289, art. 1(2)(3), Sch. 1 para. 6; commencing date as notified in The Gazette, published 23.3.2007)- s. 43A inserted by 1984 c. 48 s. 7(1) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 7(1) repealed (1.3.2007 immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 comes into force) without ever being in force by National Health Service (Pre - consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), art. 1(1), Sch. 2 (with art. 4))- s. 43A43B substituted by 1999 c. 8 s. 10(1)(2) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 10 repealed (1.3.2007) without ever being in force by National Health Service (Consequential Provisions) Act 2006 (c. 43), ss. 6, 8(2), Sch. 4 (with Sch. 2 Pt. 1))- s. 43A43B substituted by S.I. 2006/1407 Sch. 1 Pt. 1 para. 19- s. 43A(3) repealed by 1997 c. 46 Sch. 2 para. 77 Sch. 3 Pt. 2 (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 2 para. 77 repealed (E.W.) (1.3.2007 immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 comes into force) without ever being in force by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), art. 1(1), Sch. 2 (with art. 4))- s. 43B added by 1984 c. 48 s. 7(3) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 7(3) repealed to the extent that it inserts section 43B of the National Health Service Act 1977 (1.3.2007 immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 comes into force) without that amendment ever being in force by National Health Service (Pre - consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), art. 1(1), Sch. 2 (with art. 4))- s. 44(3A) inserted by S.I. 2006/1407 Sch. 1 Pt. 1 para. 20(c)- s. 45A(3) modified by S.I. 2004/865 art. 109(2)(a)- s. 45A(3)(a) word repealed by 2006 c. 28 Sch. 8 para. 17(2) Sch. 9- s. 45A(3)(aa) inserted by 2006 c. 28 Sch. 8 para. 17(2)- s. 45A(4) modified by S.I. 2004/865 art. 109(2)(a)- s. 45A(4)(a) substituted by 2006 c. 28 Sch. 8 para. 17(3)- s. 45A(11) modified by S.I. 2004/865 art. 109(2)(a)- s. 45C inserted by 2006 c. 28 s. 41- s. 46-46C substituted for s. 46 by 1999 c. 8 s. 40(1) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 40 repealed by 2001 c. 15, ss. 67, 70(2), Sch. 6 Pt. 1 (with ss. 64(a), 65(4)), the repeal coming into force immediately before the coming into force of the National Health Service Act 2006 (c. 41) (as to which see s. 227 of that 2006 Act) by virtue of The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 8(c))- s. 54(1)(c) modified by S.I. 2004/865 art. 109(2)(a)- s. 72(5)(d) and word(s) inserted by 2003 c. 43 Sch. 11 para. 27(2)- s. 72(5)(d) modified by S.I. 2004/865 art. 109(2)(a)- s. 72(5)(d) words substituted by 2006 c. 28 Sch. 8 para. 21(b)(i)- s. 72(5)(d) words substituted by 2006 c. 28 Sch. 8 para. 21(b)(ii)- s. 77(4) inserted by 2003 c. 43 Sch. 11 para. 28- s. 78A inserted by 1997 c. 46 s. 26(1) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 26(1) repealed (1.3.2007) without ever being in force by National Health Service (Consequential Provisions) Act 2006 (c. 43), s. 8(2), Sch. 4 (with Sch. 2 Pt. 1 Sch. 3 Pt. 1))- s. 79(5)(b) modified by 2003 c. 43 s. 183(4)- s. 96(4) added by S.I. 2006/1407 Sch. 1 Pt. 1 para. 27- s. 96A(12) inserted by 2003 c. 43 Sch. 4 para. 37- s. 98(1A) substituted by S.I. 2004/1714 Sch. 2 para. 1(2)- s. 98(1A)(e) inserted by S.I. 2006/960 Sch. 2 para. 1(2)- s. 98(1C) words inserted by S.I. 2004/1714 Sch. 2 para. 1(4)- s. 98(1C) words substituted by S.I. 2006/960 Sch. 2 para. 1(4)- s. 98(1D) inserted by 2004 c. 23 Sch. 2 para. 2- s. 98(1BA)(1BB) inserted by S.I. 2004/1714 Sch. 2 para. 1(3)
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- s. 98(1BC) inserted by [S.I. 2006/960 Sch. 2 para. 1\(3\)](#)
- s. 98(7)-(10) inserted by [S.I. 2005/1074 art. 2\(2\)](#)
- s. 103(4)(5) inserted by [2001 c. 15 Sch. 5 para. 5\(12\)\(c\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 5 para. 5(12)(c) repealed (1.3.2007) without ever being in force by 2006 c. 43, s. 8(2), Sch. 4 (with Sch. 2 Pt. 1, Sch. 3 Pt. 1))
- s. 124A(3)(aa) inserted by [2002 c. 38 Sch. 3 para. 20](#)
- s. 126(1A) inserted by [2003 c. 43 s. 183\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 126(4A) inserted by [2001 c. 15 Sch. 5 para. 5\(13\)\(c\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 5 para. 5(13)(c) repealed (1.3.2007) without ever being in force by 2006 c. 43, s. 8(2), Sch. 4 (with Sch. 2 Pt. 1, Sch. 3 Pt. 1))
- Sch. 5 para. 12B inserted by [S.I. 2006/1407 Sch. 1 Pt. 1 para. 39\(c\)](#)
- Sch. 5 para. 10(2A)-(2C) substituted for Sch. 5 para. 10(2A) by [S.I. 2005/2011 Sch. 6 para. 1\(4\)](#) (This amendment comes into force on a day to be specified in the London, Edinburgh and Belfast Gazettes (see, for example, the London Gazette, issue nos. 57734, 57975, 58050 and 58769, dated respectively 19.8.2005, 5.6.2006, 21.7.2006 and 18.7.2008))
- Sch. 5A para. 20(1A) inserted by [2006 c. 28 s. 74\(3\)](#)
- Sch. 5B para. 19(1A) inserted by [2006 c. 28 s. 74\(4\)](#)
- Sch. 7A para. 3(1)(fa) inserted by [2003 c. 43 Sch. 11 para. 40\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 7A para. 3(1)(g) words repealed by [2003 c. 43 Sch. 11 para. 40\(2\)\(b\) Sch. 14 Pt. 4](#)
- Sch. 7A para. 3(2) words substituted by [2003 c. 43 Sch. 11 para. 40\(3\)](#)
- Sch. 9A para. 10(a)(aa) substituted for s. Sch. 9A para. 10(a) by [2003 c. 43 Sch. 11 para. 42\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 9A para. 6(d)(i)(ii) substituted for words in para. 6(d) by [S.I. 2006/1407 Sch. 1 Pt. 1 para. 40\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 11 para. 5A inserted by [S.I. 2004/3363 art. 7](#)
- Sch. 12 para. 2A(6) added by [S.I. 2006/1407 Sch. 1 Pt. 1 para. 42\(g\)](#)
- Sch. 12 para. 2B amendment to earlier affecting provision 2006 c. 28, s. 41(3) by [S.I. 2006/1407 Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 15](#) (The earlier affecting provision cited is incorrect. The correct provision should be s. 42(3).)
- Sch. 12 para. 2B inserted by [2006 c. 28 s. 42\(3\)](#)
- Sch. 12 para. 2A(1)(b)(ba) substituted for Sch. 12 para. 2A(1)(b) by [2006 c. 28 s. 42\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 12B inserted by [2006 c. 28 s. 56\(2\) Sch. 3](#)

Commencement Orders yet to be applied to the National Health Service Act 1977

Commencement Orders bringing legislation that affects this Act into force:

- S.I. 2004/103 art. 2-4 commences ([2001 c. 15](#))
- S.I. 2004/287 art. 23 commences ([1997 c. 46](#))
- S.I. 2004/288 art. 2-6 commences ([2003 c. 43](#))
- S.I. 2004/289 art. 2 commences ([1998 c. 8](#))
- S.I. 2004/480 art. 2-5 commences ([2003 c. 43](#))
- S.I. 2004/759 art. 2-13 commences ([2003 c. 43](#))
- S.I. 2004/874 art. 2 commences ([2003 c. 42](#))
- S.I. 2004/1009 art. 2 commences ([2003 c. 43](#))
- S.I. 2004/1019 art. 2 commences ([2003 c. 43](#))
- S.I. 2004/1859 art. 2-6 commences ([1999 c. 8](#))
- S.I. 2004/2626 art. 2 commences ([2003 c. 43](#))
- S.I. 2005/457 art. 2 commences ([2003 c. 43](#))
- S.I. 2005/558 art. 2Sch. 1 commences ([2004 c. 23](#))
- S.I. 2005/1432 art. 2 commences ([2005 c. 12](#))
- S.I. 2005/2213 art. 23 commences ([2002 c. 38](#))
- S.I. 2005/2800 art. 3-5 commences ([2005 c. 10](#))
- S.I. 2005/2897 art. 2 commences ([2002 c. 38](#))
- S.I. 2005/2925 art. 24-11 commences ([2003 c. 43](#))

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| – S.I. 2005/2926 art. 23 commences (1997 c. 46) |
| – S.I. 2006/345 art. 2-7 commences (2003 c. 43) |
| – S.I. 2006/481 art. 23 commences (2001 c. 15) |
| – S.I. 2006/1014 art. 2Sch. 12 commences (2005 c. 4) |
| – S.I. 2006/1407 Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 3681213 commences (1997 c. 46) |
| – S.I. 2006/2603 art. 2-5 commences (2006 c. 28) |
| – S.I. 2006/3125 art. 2-4 commences (2006 c. 28) |
| – S.I. 2007/204 art. 2-4 commences (2006 c. 28) |
| – S.I. 2008/1972 art. 2 commences (2006 c. 28) |