



# National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

## 1978 CHAPTER 29

### PART I

#### ORGANISATION

#### *[<sup>F1</sup>Inspections*

#### **[<sup>F1</sup>10L Inspections: best regulatory practice**

- (1) HIS must prepare a plan for carrying out inspections in accordance with best regulatory practice.
- (2) The plan—
  - (a) must set out arrangements for inspections to be so carried out (including inspections of those services subject to self evaluation);
  - (b) may make different provision for different purposes.
- (3) For the purposes of subsection (1), “best regulatory practice” means practice under which (in particular) inspections should be carried out in a way that is transparent, accountable, proportionate and consistent.
- (4) In preparing a plan under subsection (1), HIS must have regard to any guidance issued by the Scottish Ministers about those matters.
- (5) HIS—
  - (a) must keep the plan under review; and
  - (b) may from time to time revise, with the approval of the Scottish Ministers, the plan.
- (6) HIS must, in preparing a plan (or any revision), consult such persons as it considers appropriate.]

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### Textual Amendments

- F1** Ss. 10A-10Z19 and cross-headings inserted (1.8.2010 for the insertion of s. 10A for specified purposes, 1.10.2010 for specified purposes, 1.4.2011 for specified purposes, 1.4.2016 for specified purposes with the exception of the insertion of s. 10Z9(1)(a), 1.4.2017 for specified purposes, 19.6.2024 for specified purposes) by [Public Services Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2010 \(asp 8\)](#), **ss. 108**, [134\(7\)](#); [S.S.I. 2010/221](#), [art. 3\(2\)\(3\)](#), **sch.**; [S.S.I. 2010/321](#), [art. 3](#), **sch.**; [S.S.I. 2011/122](#), [art. 2](#), **sch.**; [S.S.I. 2016/22](#), [art. 2\(1\)\(2\)](#), [sch. 1](#), **sch. 2**; [S.S.I.2024/131](#), [art. 2](#), **sch. 1**

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