

Health and Social Care (Community Health and Standards) Act 2003

2003 CHAPTER 43

PART 2

STANDARDS

CHAPTER 3

NHS HEALTH CARE: FUNCTIONS OF CHAI

Healthcare provided by and for NHS bodies

54 Functions relating to Secretary of State and Assembly

- (1) The CHAI is to keep the appropriate authority informed about the provision of health care by and for any NHS body.
- (2) The CHAI may at any time give advice to the appropriate authority on any matter connected with the provision of such health care (including, in particular, advice on any changes which it thinks should be made to the standards under section 46 or 47[^{FI}, or any code of practice issued under section 47A,] for the purpose of securing improvement in the quality of the health care).
- (3) When requested to do so by the appropriate authority, the CHAI must give the authority advice or information on such matters connected with the provision of health care by or for any NHS body as may be specified in the request.
- (4) The CHAI may give advice to the appropriate authority or any NHS body about the establishment or conduct of any inquiry held, or to be held, by the authority or the body in relation to the provision of health care by or for that body.
- (5) In this section, the "appropriate authority" means—

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- (a) the Secretary of State, in relation to the provision of health care by or for an English NHS body or cross-border SHA; or
- (b) the Assembly, in relation to the provision of health care by or for a Welsh NHS body.

Textual Amendments

F1 Words in s. 54(2) inserted (1.10.2006) by Health Act 2006 (c. 28), ss. 15(6), 83(7); S.I. 2006/2603, art. 2

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