



National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006

2006 CHAPTER 42

PART 2

HEALTH SERVICE BODIES

CHAPTER 4

MISCELLANEOUS

[^{F1}Nurse staffing levels

[^{F1}25C Nurse staffing levels: method of calculation

- (1) When calculating a nurse staffing level, a designated person must—
 - (a) exercise professional judgement, and
 - (b) take into account each of the following—
 - (i) the average ratio of nurses to patients appropriate to provide care to patients that meets all reasonable requirements, estimated for a specified period using evidence-based workforce planning tools;
 - (ii) the extent to which patients' well-being is known to be particularly sensitive to the provision of care by a nurse.
- (2) A designated person may calculate different nurse staffing levels—
 - (a) in relation to different periods of time;
 - (b) depending on the conditions in which care is provided by a nurse.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Ss. 25A-25E and cross-headings inserted (3.8.2016 for the insertion of s. 25D, 6.4.2017 for the insertion of s. 25A, 6.4.2018 in so far as not already in force) by [Nurse Staffing Levels \(Wales\) Act 2016 \(anaw 5\)](#), **ss. 1(1), 2(1)**; S.I. 2016/829, art. 2(a)(b)(c)

Changes to legislation:

National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006, Section 25C is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 19 June 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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

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

- s. 201A-201C inserted by [2017 c. 23 s. 9](#)
- s. 201C(2) words substituted by [2018 c. 12 Sch. 19 para. 118\(2\)](#)
- s. 201C(4) inserted by [2018 c. 12 Sch. 19 para. 118\(3\)](#)
- Sch. 7 para. 1(2A) inserted by [2009 c. 21 s. 32\(3\)](#)