

*These notes refer to the Mental Health Act 2007
(c.12) which received Royal Assent on 19 July 2007*

MENTAL HEALTH ACT 2007

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY

Part 1 – Amendments to Mental Health Act 1983

Chapter 2 - Professional Roles

Section 14: Amendments to other provisions of 1983 Act

60. **Section 14** makes related amendments to other provisions of the 1983 Act. It amends section 118 so that the Code of Practice will also be for the guidance of ACs. It also inserts into section 145 a definition of an AC. The Secretary of State and the Welsh Ministers will have the function of approving persons to be approved clinicians in relation to England and Wales respectively. It is expected that this function will be delegated to appropriate NHS bodies. The professions whose members may be approved and the type of skill and experience required will be set out in directions issued by the Secretary of State and the Welsh Ministers respectively.