

## Health and Social Care Act 2012

## **2012 CHAPTER 7**

## PART 1

THE HEALTH SERVICE IN ENGLAND

Functions relating to mental health matters

## 44 Patients' correspondence

- (1) In section 134 of the Mental Health Act 1983 (patients' correspondence), in subsection (1)—
  - (a) before "the approved clinician" insert "or", and
  - (b) omit "or the Secretary of State".
- (2) Subsection (1) of this section does not affect the validity of any requests made to the Secretary of State under section 134(1) of that Act and having effect immediately before the commencement of this section.