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PROSPECTIVE

SCHEDULE 3

Other contractual terms

PART 1

Provision of services

Welsh Language

21.—(1) Where the contractor provides medical services under the contract through the medium of Welsh, it must notify the Local Health Board in writing.

(2) The contractor must make available a Welsh language version of any document or form for use by patients and/or members of the public, provided by the Local Health Board.

(3) Where the contractor displays a new sign or notice in connection with medical services provided under the contract, the text on the sign or notice must be in English and Welsh, and the contractor may utilise the translation service offered by the Local Health Board for this purpose.

(4) The contractor must encourage the wearing of a badge, provided by the Local Health Board, by those delivering medical services under the contract who are Welsh speaking, to convey that they are able to speak Welsh.

(5) The contractor must encourage those delivering medical services under the contract to utilise information and/or attend training courses and events provided by the Local Health Board, so that they can develop—

- (a) an awareness of the Welsh language (including awareness of its history and its role in Welsh culture), and
- (b) an understanding of how the Welsh language can be used when delivering medical services under the contract.

(6) The contractor must encourage those delivering medical services under the contract to establish and record the Welsh or English language preference expressed by or on behalf of a patient.

Commencement Information

II Sch. 3 para. 21 in force at 1.10.2023, see [reg. 1\(2\)](#)

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- Sch. 3 para. 21 coming into force by [S.I. 2023/953 reg. 1\(2\)](#)

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- Sch. 3 para. 16(3) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1421 reg. 18\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 5 para. 2(2)(a)(iv)(aa) omitted by [S.I. 2023/1421 reg. 20\(d\)](#)
- Sch. 5 para. 2(2)(a)(i)(aa) word substituted by [S.I. 2023/1421 reg. 20\(c\)](#)