



Introduction

We welcome the opportunity to comment on the draft Regulations and Orders to accompany the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014. Our response to this consultation is limited as we are fortunate that representatives from the Care Inspectorate have been involved in a number of working groups relating to the Act and have supported the drafting of these Regulations and Orders.

We support the move towards integration of health and social care and look forward to working closely with partner organisations to help ensure the successful implementation of the new duties placed upon services as part of the integration process. This work will of course include our role in evaluating the effectiveness of integrated services and supporting improvement across the newly integrated landscape, alongside our scrutiny partners Healthcare Improvement Scotland.

ANNEX 1(D)

PRESCRIBED GROUPS WHICH MUST BE CONSULTED WHEN PREPARING OR REVISING INTEGRATION SCHEMES; PREPARING DRAFT STRATEGIC PLANS; AND WHEN MAKING DECISIONS AFFECTING LOCALITIES RELATING TO THE PUBLIC BODIES (JOINT WORKING) (SCOTLAND) ACT 2014

CONSULTATION QUESTIONS

1. Do these draft Regulations include the right groups of people?

Yes

No

2. If no, what other groups should be included within the draft Regulations?

3. Are there any further comments you would like to offer on these draft Regulations?

We agree with the list of prescribed groups which must be consulted and believe that regulatory bodies should stay at arms-length to this process.

ANNEX 2(D)

MEMBERSHIP, POWERS AND PROCEEDINGS OF INTEGRATION JOINT BOARDS ESTABLISHED UNDER THE PUBLIC BODIES (JOINT WORKING) (SCOTLAND) ACT 2014

CONSULTATION QUESTIONS

1. Are there any additional non-voting members who should be included in the Integration Joint Board?

Yes

No

2. If you answered 'yes', please list those you feel should be included:

3. Are there any other areas related to the operation of the Integration Joint Board that should also covered by this draft Order?

No.

4. Are there any further comments you would like to offer on this draft Order?

It would be helpful if guidance is developed on how non-voting members are chosen to sit on joint boards and how they will engage with the groups they represent. This will ensure that their presence and input are not purely tokenistic. It might also be useful to consider whether some induction and ongoing training will be required for carers and service users.

Within the integration scheme, local information should also include how integration joint boards will interface with community planning partnerships.

ANNEX 3(D)

ESTABLISHMENT, MEMBERSHIP AND PROCEEDINGS OF INTEGRATION JOINT MONITORING COMMITTEES ESTABLISHED UNDER THE PUBLIC BODIES (JOINT WORKING) (SCOTLAND) ACT 2014

Consultation Questions

1. Do you agree with the proposed minimum membership of the integration joint monitoring committee, as set out in the draft Order?

Yes

No

2. If you answered 'no', please list those you feel should be included:

3. Are there any other areas related to the operation of the integration joint monitoring committee that should also covered by the draft Order?

No.

4. Are there any further comments you would like to offer on this draft Order?

We agree with the proposed membership and welcome that the Scottish Government will provide guidance in terms of identifying representation from staff-side, the third sector, service users and carers.

The Care Inspectorate and Healthcare Improvement Scotland will have a significant interest in these integration joint monitoring committees, whose main purpose will be to monitor progress being made to achieve the national health and wellbeing outcomes. We have legal responsibilities under the Act to inspect activities provided under integrated health and social care as detailed in Section 55 of the Act. The interface with these monitoring committees will be through joint inspections as described in Section 56 of the Act and via the Link Inspector role.

**PRESCRIBED MEMBERSHIP OF STRATEGIC PLANNING GROUPS
ESTABLISHED UNDER THE PUBLIC BODIES (JOINT WORKING) (SCOTLAND)
ACT 2014**

CONSULTATION QUESTIONS

1. The draft Regulations prescribe the groups of people that should be represented on the strategic planning group. Do you think the groups of people listed are the right set of people that need to be represented on the strategic planning group?

Yes

No

2. If no, what changes would you propose?

3. Are there any further comments you would like to offer on these draft Regulations?

Consideration will again be required as to whether carers and service users involved in the strategic planning groups will be supported through induction and ongoing training.

**PRESCRIBED FORM AND CONTENT OF PERFORMANCE REPORTS
RELATING TO THE PUBLIC BODIES (JOINT WORKING) (SCOTLAND) ACT
2014**

CONSULTATION QUESTIONS

1. Do you agree with the prescribed matters to be included in the performance report?

Yes

No

2. If no, please explain why:

3. Are there any additional matters you think should be prescribed in the performance report?

Yes

No

4. If yes, please tell us which additional matters should be prescribed and why:

The performance reports should include information on any scrutiny carried out, any improvement recommendations and how these have been incorporated in the strategic plans. The Care Inspectorate and Healthcare Improvement Scotland will have significant interest in these reports, particularly on commissioning of services as we have specific responsibilities to analyse and report on this under the Act.

5. Should Scottish Ministers prescribe the form that annual performance reports should take?

Yes

No

6. If you answered yes, what form should Scottish Ministers prescribe?

7. Are there any further comments you would like to offer on these draft Regulations?

No.