

**Greater Glasgow NHS Board**

**Board Meeting**

Tuesday 21st January 2003

Board Paper No. 2003/6

**Mental Health (Scotland) Act 1984 – List Of Approved Medical Practitioners**

**Director of Public Health**

**Recommendation:**

Members are asked to:

Approve the following medical practitioners employed by the Greater Glasgow Primary Care NHS Trust to be authorised for the purpose of Section 20(1)(b) and 39(b) of the Mental Health (Scotland) Act 1984

**1 Introduction**

Before a person may be detained in hospital under Section 18 of the Mental Health (Scotland) Act 1984 there is a requirement to obtain two medical recommendations. Under Section 20(1)(b) of the Act, one of these recommendations is to be given by a medical practitioner approved by a Health Board as having special expertise in the diagnosis and treatment of mental disorder. A corresponding requirement is imposed by Section 39(b) relating to the reception of patients into the guardianship of the local authority.

**2 Medical Practitioners**

The Divisional Medical Director (Mental Health and Learning Disabilities) for the Primary Care Trust has confirmed that the clinicians detailed below have the special expertise necessary in the diagnosis and treatment of mental disorder for the purposes of the above named Act and recommends their inclusion on the list of approved medical practitioners.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Grade/ Speciality</b>	<b>Date Of Appointment</b>
Dr Neill Simpson	Consultant in Learning Disability Psychiatry <b>Gartnavel Royal Hospital</b>	01/07/2002
Dr Paul Forrester	SpR in Old Age Psychiatry <b>Gartnavel Royal Hospital</b>	03/02/2003
Dr Esther Abeln	SpR in Old Age Psychiatry <b>Gartnavel Royal Hospital</b>	03/02/2003
Dr Lynne Steele	SpR in General Psychiatry <b>Gartnavel Royal Hospital</b>	03/02/2003
Dr Malcolm Cameron	SpR in General Psychiatry <b>Gartnavel Royal Hospital</b>	03/02/2003
Dr James Lewis	SpR in General Psychiatry <b>Gartnavel Royal Hospital</b>	03/02/2003

### **3 Recommendation**

That the above mentioned medical practitioner employed by the Greater Glasgow Primary Care NHS Trust be authorised for the purpose of Section 20 (1)(b) and 39(b) of the Mental Health (Scotland) Act 1984.

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