NHS Board Meeting
Tuesday, 24 June 2008

Director of Public Health

Board Paper No. 08/28

Designated Medical Officer

Recommendation:

The Board is asked to approve the named Designated Medical Officer (Appendix 1) in accordance with the regulations laid out in the NHS (Scotland) Act 1978 and the NHS (Designated Medical Officers) (Scotland) Regulations 1974.

1 Background

1.1 Under the terms of Section 14 (1-4) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978 and the NHS (Designated Medical Officers) (Scotland) Regulations 1974, the Board must designate a medical officer or officers for the purpose of exercising such functions on behalf of Local Authorities as may be assigned by or under any enactment and such other functions as Local Authorities may, with the agreement of the Board, assign.

1.2 A designated Medical Officer may exercise any powers conferred by any enactment of an authorised officer of a Local Authority if the Local Authority authorises him in writing to do so.

1.3 The Act stipulates that a Designated Medical Officer may appoint one or more persons approved by the Board to act as his/her depute or deputies and all things required or authorised by law to be done by or to the Designated Medical Officer may be done by or to any depute so appointed by him/her. Any reference in any enactment or instrument made under any enactment to the Designated Medical Officer shall, where the depute is acting for the Officer, include a reference to the depute.

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APPENDIX 1

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