

NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde Board

Board Meeting

Tuesday, 3 March 2009

Board Paper No. 09/18

Report of the Director of Public Health

New Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003 – List Of s22 Approved Medical Practitioners

Recommendation:

Members are asked to:

Approve the following medical practitioners employed by the Mental Health Partnership of NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde to be authorised for the purpose of Section 22 of the New Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003.

1 Introduction

The new Act describes the creation of approved medical practitioners (AMPs) under s22. AMPs are required to make applications for short term detention (STD) under s44 and to review emergency detentions (ED) under s36. Long term detention and compulsory treatment whether in hospital or in the community is possible under a Compulsory treatment order (CTO s64) or a Compulsion order. These require mental health reports from AMPs and AMPs to act as responsible medical officers.

AMPs are approved by a Health Board as having special expertise in the diagnosis and treatment of mental disorder. This expertise is recognised by the doctor having either membership or fellowship of the Royal College of Psychiatrists (MRCPsych, FRCPsych) or at least 4 years of postgraduate psychiatric experience as well as completion of the national 2 day s22 training course.

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 Medical Director (Mental Health and Partnerships) for NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde 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. It is requested that these names are confirmed at the next Board Meeting on the **3rd March 2009**.

<u>GMC</u>	<u>Surname</u>	<u>Forename</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Date Start</u>	<u>Specialty</u>	<u>Location</u>
3263547	SKELTON	FRANCES	ASSOC SPEC	01/04/2005	General Psychiatry	Parkhead

3 Recommendation

That the above mentioned medical practitioners employed by the Mental Health Partnership of NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde be authorised for the purpose of Section 22 of the Mental Health (Scotland) Act 2003.

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