



# Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 2010 asp 8

## PART 5

### SOCIAL CARE AND SOCIAL WORK: SCRUTINY AND IMPROVEMENT

## CHAPTER 2

### SOCIAL SERVICES: INSPECTIONS

#### *Inspections*

#### **54 Inspections under section 53: best regulatory practice**

- (1) SCSWIS must prepare a plan for carrying out inspections in accordance with best regulatory practice.
- (2) The plan—
  - (a) must set out arrangements for inspections to be so carried out (including inspections of those services subject to self evaluation),
  - (b) may make different provision for different purposes.
- (3) For the purposes of subsection (1), “best regulatory practice” means practice under which (in particular) inspections should be carried out in a way that is transparent, accountable, proportionate and consistent.
- (4) In preparing a plan under subsection (1), SCSWIS must have regard to any guidance issued by the Scottish Ministers about those matters.
- (5) SCSWIS—
  - (a) must keep the plan under review, and
  - (b) may from time to time revise, with the approval of the Scottish Ministers, the plan.

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- (6) SCSWIS must, in preparing a plan (or any revision), consult such persons as it considers appropriate.

**Commencement Information**

- I1** S. 54 in force at 1.10.2010 for specified purposes by [S.S.I. 2010/321](#), [art. 3](#), [Sch.](#)  
**I2** S. 54 in force at 1.4.2011 in so far as not already in force by [S.S.I. 2011/122](#), [art. 2](#), [Sch.](#)

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

- Blanket amendment words substituted by [S.I. 2011/1043 art. 34](#)

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- Pt. 5 Ch. 3A amendment to earlier affecting provision 2019 asp 6, s. 12(2) by [S.S.I. 2023/127 reg. 3\(4\)](#)
- Pt. 5 Ch. 3A inserted by [2019 asp 6 s. 12\(2\)](#)