

# Health and Social Care Act 2008

### **2008 CHAPTER 14**

#### PART 1

THE CARE QUALITY COMMISSION

#### **CHAPTER 2**

REGISTRATION IN RESPECT OF PROVISION OF HEALTH OR SOCIAL CARE

Regulation, code of practice and guidance

## 25 Effect of code under s. 21 and guidance under s. 23

- (1) A code of practice under section 21 and guidance under section 23 are to be taken into account—
  - (a) in the making of any decision by the Commission under this Chapter;
  - (b) in any proceedings for the making of an order under section 30;
  - (c) in any proceedings on an appeal against such a decision or order;
  - (d) in any proceedings for an offence under section 33 or under regulations under section 20.
- (2) A code of practice under section 21 or guidance under section 23 is also admissible in evidence in other criminal or civil proceedings.
- (3) A failure to observe any provision of a code of practice under section 21 or guidance under section 23 does not of itself make a person liable to any criminal or civil proceedings.