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The Public Services Reform (Joint Inspections) (Scotland) Regulations 2011

Interviews and examinations

- 7. An authorised person may conduct any interview or examination with regard to the following matters if authorised person considers it necessary or expedient for the purposes of carrying out an inspection:—
 - (a) the provision, organisation or co-ordination of the service;
 - (b) the premises from which the service is provided; and
 - (c) the treatment of service users.
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), an authorised person may in private interview—
 - (a) the manager of the service or the premises;
 - (b) any person involved in the provision, co-ordination or organisation of the service;
 - (c) any person otherwise connected with the provision of the service;
 - (d) any person employed at the premises;
 - (e) any service user who consents to be interviewed; or
 - (f) any carer or relative of a service user who consents to be interviewed.
- (3) An interview is in private for the purposes of paragraph (2) even if conducted in the presence of—
 - (a) a guardian, continuing attorney or welfare attorney of the person interviewed; or
 - (b) some other person provided that the person interviewed so wishes and the authorised person does not object.
- (4) If the authorised person is a registered medical practitioner or a registered nurse and has reasonable cause to believe that a service user is not receiving proper care, the authorised person may in private and only with the service user's consent, conduct an examination of the service user.
- (5) If the authorised person is a registered dentist and has reasonable cause to believe that a service user is not receiving proper dental care, the authorised person may in private and only with the service user's consent, conduct an examination of the service user.
- (6) An examination is in private for the purposes of paragraphs (4) and (5) of this regulation even if conducted in the presence of a third party provided that—
 - (a) the person examined so wishes and the authorised person does not object; or
 - (b) the authorised person so wishes and the person examined consents.
 - (7) In this regulation—

"continuing attorney" has the same meaning as in section 15 (creation of continuing power of attorney) of the Adults with Incapacity (Scotland) Act 2000(1);

"guardian" means a guardian appointed under section 58 (disposal of application) of the Adults with Incapacity (Scotland) Act 2000;

"registered dentist" means a person registered in the register maintained under section 14 (the dentists register and the registrar) of the Dentists Act 1984(2);

"registered nurse" means an individual registered in the register maintained under article 5 (establishment and maintenance of the register) of the Nurses and Midwives Order 2001(3) by virtue of qualifications in nursing;

"welfare attorney" has the same meaning as in section 16 (creation and exercise of welfare power of attorney) of the Adults with Incapacity (Scotland) Act 2000.

^{(1) 2000} asp 4.

^{(2) 1984} c.24.

⁽³⁾ S.I. 2002/253.