

POLICY NOTE

THE PUBLIC BODIES (JOINT WORKING) SCOTLAND ACT 2014 (COMMENCEMENT NO. 2) AMENDMENT ORDER 2015

SSI 2015/44 (C. 8)

1. The above instrument is made in exercise of the powers conferred by section 72(2) of the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014. It is laid before the Scottish Parliament by virtue of section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010.

Policy Objectives

2. This Order amends the Public Bodies (Joint Working) Scotland Act 2014 (Commencement No.2) Order 2014 ”), to provide for an earlier commencement date for section 65 of the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014 (“the 2014 Act”). This allows section 65 of the 2014 Act to come into force on 25 February 2015.
3. Section 65 of the 2014 Act amends section 85B of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978 to allows Scottish Ministers to make Regulations that enable integration joint boards and local authorities to become members of the Clinical Negligence and Other Risks Indemnity Scheme (“CNORIS”). Integration joint boards will be established under section 9 of the 2014 Act from 1 April 2015. Once established, an integration joint board should be able to be a member of CNORIS. The amendments to section 85B made by section 65 of the 2014 Act require to come into force before the Scottish Ministers can make regulations to extend the membership of CNORIS. Accordingly, it is necessary to adjust the commencement date for section 65, in order that such regulations can be made in sufficient time to apply to integration joint boards established from 1 April 2015.
4. The policy objectives of the 2014 Act are fully described in the Policy Memorandum which accompanied the Bill. To view the Policy Memorandum click [here](#).

Transitional Provisions

9. There are no transitional provisions within this Order.

Saving provisions

10. There are no savings provisions within this Order.

Impact Assessments

11. An equality impact assessment has already been completed on the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014. To view the Equality Impact Assessment click [here](#).

Financial Effects

12. A Business and Regulatory Impact Assessment has already been completed on the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014. To view the Business and Regulatory Impact Assessment click [here](#).

Scottish Government
Directorate for Finance, e-Health and Analytics
Health Finance Division