

# Health (Wales) Act 2003

# **2003 CHAPTER 4**

### Wales Centre for Health

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- (1) There is to be a body corporate to be known as the Wales Centre for Health or Canolfan Iechyd Cymru.
- (2) The Centre is to consist of such number of members appointed by the National Assembly for Wales as the Assembly may determine.
- (3) The Assembly is to appoint one of the members of the Centre as its chairman.
- (4) The Assembly may make payments to the Centre of such amounts, at such times and on such conditions (if any), as it considers appropriate.
- (5) Further provision about the Centre is in Schedule 2.

# **3** Functions of the Centre

- (1) The Wales Centre for Health must—
  - (a) develop and maintain arrangements for making information about matters related to the protection and improvement of health in Wales available to the public in Wales;
  - (b) undertake and commission research into such matters;
  - (c) contribute to the provision and development of training in such matters.
- (2) The function under subsection (1)(a) must be carried out with a view to ensuring that members of the public in Wales are kept informed about matters which the Centre considers might significantly affect their health.
- (3) The National Assembly for Wales may by regulations make provision about—
  - (a) functions relating to the protection and improvement of health in Wales which the Centre is to exercise in addition to those conferred by subsection (1);
  - (b) persons, or groups of persons, to whom information and advice are to be given by the Centre;

- (c) reports which are to be published by the Centre.
- (4) The Assembly may by order make provision for the transfer to it of any or all of the Centre's functions.
- (5) Where an order under subsection (4) makes provision for the transfer of all of the Centre's functions, the order may include provision for the abolition of the Centre.
- (6) An order under subsection (4) may include provision for the transfer of staff of the Centre and of any property, rights and liabilities to which the Centre is entitled or subject and may in particular—
  - (a) provide for the transfer of any property, rights or liabilities to have effect subject to exceptions or reservations specified in or determined under the order:
  - (b) provide for the creation of interests in, or rights over, property transferred or retained or for the creation of new rights and liabilities between the Centre and the Assembly;
  - (c) provide for the order to have effect in spite of any provisions (of whatever nature) which would prevent or restrict the transfer of the property, rights or liabilities otherwise than by the order.