



Health and Social Care Act 2012

2012 CHAPTER 7

PART 1

THE HEALTH SERVICE IN ENGLAND

Arrangements for provision of health services

16 Secure psychiatric services

- (1) Section 4 of the National Health Service Act 2006 (high security psychiatric services) is amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (1) for the words from the beginning to “duty to provide” substitute “The Board must arrange for the provision of”.
- (3) In subsection (3)—
 - (a) after “may be provided” insert “—
(a),
and
 - (b) after paragraph (a) insert “, and
(b) only by a person approved by the Secretary of State for the purposes of this subsection.”
- (4) After subsection (3) insert—

“(3A) The Secretary of State may—

 - (a) give directions to a person who provides high security psychiatric services about the provision by that person of those services;
 - (b) give directions to the Board about the exercise of its functions in relation to high security psychiatric services.”