



# Regulation and Inspection of Social Care (Wales) Act 2016

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## PART 3

### SOCIAL CARE WALES

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- (1) The powers conferred by this section are exercisable by the Welsh Ministers if they are satisfied that SCW—
  - (a) has without reasonable excuse failed to discharge any of its functions, or
  - (b) in discharging any of its functions, has without reasonable excuse failed to comply with any directions given by the Welsh Ministers under section 77 in relation to those functions.
- (2) The Welsh Ministers may—
  - (a) publish a statement declaring SCW to be in default, and
  - (b) direct SCW to discharge such of its functions, and in such manner and within such period or periods, as may be specified in the direction.
- (3) If SCW fails to comply with a direction given under subsection (2)(b), the Welsh Ministers may—
  - (a) discharge the functions to which the direction relates themselves, or
  - (b) make arrangements for any other person to discharge those functions on their behalf.
- (4) A direction under subsection (2)(b)—
  - (a) must be in writing;
  - (b) may be varied or revoked by a subsequent direction.