



# Health and Social Care (Quality and Engagement) (Wales) Act 2020

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## PART 4

### THE CITIZEN VOICE BODY FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

*Access to premises by Citizen Voice Body: duty to have regard to code of practice*

#### **19 Code of practice on access to premises**

- (1) The Welsh Ministers must prepare and publish a code of practice about—
  - (a) requests made by the Citizen Voice Body for access to premises for the purpose of seeking the views of individuals in respect of health services or social services, and
  - (b) where access to those premises has been agreed, engagement with individuals at those premises for that purpose.
- (2) “Premises” in subsection (1) means any premises at which health services or social services are being provided.
- (3) The Citizen Voice Body must have regard to the code.
- (4) Each local authority and NHS body must have regard to the code (so far as the code is relevant) in exercising any function that relates to the provision of health services or social services.
- (5) In preparing the code the Welsh Ministers must consult—
  - (a) the Citizen Voice Body;
  - (b) each local authority;
  - (c) each NHS body;
  - (d) such other persons as the Welsh Ministers consider appropriate.

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**Changes to legislation:** *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Health and Social Care (Quality and Engagement) (Wales) Act 2020, Section 19. (See end of Document for details)*

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**Commencement Information**

- I1** S. 19(1)(2)(5) in force at 1.4.2022 by S.I. 2022/208, **art. 3(b)**
- I2** S. 19(3)(4) in force at 1.7.2023 by S.I. 2023/723, **art. 2**

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