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SCHEDULE 1 THE MENTAL WELFARE COMMISSION FOR SCOTLAND

PART 1

MEMBERSHIP, PROCEEDINGS ETC.

[F1] Commission Visitors

Textual Amendments

- F1** Sch. 1 paras. 7A-7I and crossheadings inserted (1.8.2010 for specified purposes, 1.10.2010 for specified purposes, 1.4.2011 in so far as not already in force) by [Public Services Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2010 \(asp 8\)](#), s. 134(7), [sch. 18 para. 7](#); S.S.I. 2010/221, art. 3(2)(3), sch.; S.S.I. 2010/321, art. 3, sch.; S.S.I. 2011/122, art. 2, sch.

- 7A (1) The Commission must appoint such staff, employed under paragraph 7(1)(a) or (b), to exercise the functions of Commission Visitors; and when doing so those staff are to be known as Commission Visitors.
- (2) The Commission may arrange for such other persons as it thinks fit to be appointed as and exercise the functions of Commission Visitors; and when doing so those persons are to be known as Commission Visitors.
- (3) There may be no more than 10 Commission Visitors appointed by the Commission under sub-paragraph (2).
- (4) The Scottish Ministers may by order amend sub-paragraph (3) by substituting for the maximum number of Commission Visitors for the time being specified there such other number as they think fit.
- (5) In appointing Commission Visitors, the Commission is to have regard to the desirability of appointing—
- (a) persons who have experience of, and have shown capacity and capability in, the provision of services to those who have a mental disorder;
 - (b) persons who use, or have used, such services;
 - (c) persons who are, or have been, carers of those who have a mental disorder;
 - (d) persons who have such other skills, knowledge or experience as the Commission considers to be relevant in relation to the exercise of the functions of Commission Visitors.
- (6) In appointing Commission Visitors, the Commission must appoint at least—
- (a) one person who falls within paragraph (b) of sub-paragraph (5); and
 - (b) one person who falls within paragraph (c) of sub-paragraph (5).
- (7) In this Act (unless the context otherwise requires), any reference to a function of a Commission Visitor (or the functions of Commission Visitors) is a reference to a function conferred by this Act or any other enactment.]

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 64(8A)(8B) inserted by [2015 asp 9 s. 1\(2\)](#)
- s. 65(7) inserted by [2015 asp 9 s. 1\(3\)](#)