



# Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

## 2003 asp 13

### PART 11

#### HOSPITAL DIRECTIONS AND TRANSFER FOR TREATMENT DIRECTIONS

##### *Consequences of review*

#### **207 Responsible medical officer's report following review of direction**

- (1) This section applies where a patient's responsible medical officer carries out a review under section 206(2) of this Act.
- (2) The responsible medical officer shall, as soon as practicable after carrying out that review, submit a report in accordance with subsection (3) below to the Scottish Ministers.
- (3) That report shall record the responsible medical officer's views as to—
  - (a) whether the conditions mentioned in section 206(4) of this Act continue to apply in respect of the patient;
  - (b) whether, as a result of the patient's mental disorder, it is necessary, in order to protect any other person from serious harm, for the patient to be detained in hospital, whether or not for medical treatment; and
  - (c) whether it continues to be necessary for the patient to be subject to the direction.
- (4) If, after having regard to any views expressed by persons consulted under section 206(3)(c) of this Act, the responsible medical officer is not satisfied that the patient has a mental disorder, the responsible medical officer shall include in the report submitted to the Scottish Ministers under subsection (2) above a recommendation that the direction be revoked.
- (5) If, after having regard to any views expressed by persons consulted under section 206(3)(c) of this Act, the responsible medical officer—
  - (a) is satisfied that the patient has a mental disorder; but

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- (b) is not satisfied—
- (i) that, as a result of the patient’s mental disorder, it is necessary, in order to protect any other person from serious harm, for the patient to be detained in hospital, whether or not for medical treatment; and
- [<sup>F1</sup>(ii) either—
- (A) that the conditions mentioned in paragraph (b) and (c) of section 206(4) of this Act continue to apply in respect of the patient; or
- (B) that it continues to be necessary for the patient to be subject to the direction,]
- the responsible medical officer shall include in the report submitted to the Scottish Ministers under subsection (2) above a recommendation that the direction be revoked.

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**Textual Amendments**

- F1** S. 207(5)(b)(ii) substituted (22.3.2007) by [Adult Support and Protection \(Scotland\) Act 2007 \(asp 10\)](#), [ss. 70\(1\)](#), [79\(2\)](#)

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**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

- C1** S. 207 modified (5.10.2005) by [Mental Health \(Cross-border transfer; patients subject to detention requirement or otherwise in hospital\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2005 \(S.S.I. 2005/467\)](#), [regs. 1\(1\)](#), [40](#) (with [reg. 2](#))

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**Commencement Information**

- I1** S. 207 in force at 5.10.2005 by [S.S.I. 2005/161](#), [art. 3](#) (as substituted (1.7.2005) by [S.S.I. 2005/375](#), [art. 2](#) and as amended (22.9.2005) by [S.S.I. 2005/459](#), [art. 2](#))

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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\(3\)](#)