



Certification of Death (Scotland) Act 2011

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Review of medical certificates of cause of death

10 Action following unsatisfactory review: medical reviewer

- (1) This section applies where, following a review under section 8(1), a medical reviewer is of the view that a medical certificate of cause of death is not in order.
- (2) The medical reviewer must—
 - (a) inform the relevant medical practitioner of that view and the reasons for coming to that view, and
 - (b) invite the relevant medical practitioner to attest and transmit to the medical reviewer a replacement certificate which takes account of the reasons.
- (3) If the relevant medical practitioner attests and transmits a replacement certificate which in the view of the medical reviewer is in order, the medical reviewer must approve the replacement certificate and transmit it to the relevant registrar.
- (4) If the relevant medical practitioner attests and transmits a replacement certificate which in the view of the medical reviewer is not in order, the medical reviewer must refer the review to the senior medical reviewer.
- (5) If the relevant medical practitioner declines to attest and transmit a replacement certificate in response to the invitation under subsection (2)(b), the medical reviewer must—
 - (a) approve the certificate and notify the relevant registrar accordingly, or
 - (b) refer the review to the senior medical reviewer.