



Victims and Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2014

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Medical examinations

[^{F1}8A Certain medical examinations: additional information to be provided

- (1) Subsection (2) applies where a person is, or is to be, referred to a health board for a forensic medical examination as mentioned in section 2(2)(a)(i) of the Forensic Medical Services (Victims of Sexual Offences) (Scotland) Act 2021.
- (2) The chief constable of the Police Service of Scotland must ensure that, in addition to a constable informing the person of the matters mentioned in sections 3C(1) and 3D(1), a constable informs the person that—
 - (a) the person may request from the health board—
 - (i) a copy of the Victims' Code for Scotland, and
 - (ii) information relating to the rights of victims,
 - (b) the person may request the health board to refer the person to providers of victim support services, and
 - (c) the person may contact providers of victim support services directly without being referred as mentioned in paragraph (b).
- (3) In this section—

“health board” means a board constituted under section 2(1)(a) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978,

“victim support services” has the meaning given by section 3D(5).]

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 8A inserted (1.4.2022) by [Forensic Medical Services \(Victims of Sexual Offences\) \(Scotland\) Act 2021 \(asp 3\)](#), s. 20(2), [sch. para. 5\(2\)](#) (with s. 3); S.S.I. 2022/24, reg. 2

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Victims and Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2014, Section 8A.