
WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2004 No. 1016

**The General Medical Services Transitional and
Consequential Provisions (Wales) (No. 2) Order 2004**

PART 4

TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE CHOICE REGULATIONS

Assignment of patients

54. Where, on 31st March 2004, a person had applied to a Local Health Board for assignment to a medical practitioner under regulation 4 of the Choice Regulations but that application had not yet been determined, the Local Health Board shall—

- (a) assign the patient in accordance with the terms of the contract, to—
 - (i) a default contractor, or
 - (ii) a general medical services contractor, or
- (b) otherwise make arrangements for the applicant to be provided with essential services (or their equivalent) in the area of the Local Health Board.

Representations against assignments

55.—(1) Where, on 31st March 2004, a Local Health Board had assigned a patient to a relevant medical practitioner under regulation 4 of the Choice Regulations but the seven days for him or her to make representations against that assignment in regulation 6(1) of those Regulations had not yet expired, the succeeding contractor shall be entitled to make representations to the Local Health Board in writing against that assignment within the period of seven days beginning on the day on which the relevant medical practitioner received notice of the assignment under regulation 4 of the Choice Regulations, as if regulation 6 of the Choice Regulations were still in force.

(2) Where representations are made to a Local Health Board under paragraph (1) or (2), the Local Health Board shall deal with those representations in accordance with regulation 6 of the Choice Regulations as if those Regulations were still in force and shall, on or before 30th April 2004, either confirm or revise its decision to assign the patient.

(3) In this article, “relevant medical practitioner” and “succeeding contractor” have the meaning given in article 2(3).