DIRECTIONS

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND

Directions to Health Education England (GP Registrars) 2014

The Secretary of State for Health gives the following directions in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 7(1), 8, 272(7) and (8) and 273(1) of the National Health Service Act 2006(a).

Citation, commencement and application

1.—(1) These Directions may be cited as the Directions to Health Education England (GP Registrars) 2014.

(2) They come into force immediately after they are signed.

(3) They apply in respect of the functions of the Secretary of State relating to payments to be made under the GP Registrar Scheme which were, prior to their abolition on 1st April 2013, exercisable by Strategic Health Authorities(b) and which are now exercisable by Health Education England(c).

Interpretation

2. In these Directions—

“the 2003 Directions” means the Directions to Strategic Health Authorities Concerning GP Registrars 2003 set out in Schedule 1 to the 2013 Directions(d);

“the 2013 Directions” means the Directions to Health Education England (GP Registrars) 2013 and the Directions to the National Health Service Litigation Authority (GP Registrars) 2013(e);

(a) 2006 c.41. Section 7 and section 8 are respectively amended by sections 21 and 55(1) of, and paragraph 5 of Schedule 4 to, the Health and Social Care Act 2012 (c.7). By virtue of section 271(1) of the National Health Service Act 2006, the powers exercised in making these Directions are exercisable by the Secretary of State only in relation to England.

(b) Strategic Health Authorities were abolished on 1st April 2013 by section 33 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012.

(c) Health Education England is a Special Health Authority established by article 2 of the Health Education England (Establishment and Constitution) Order 2012 (S.I. 2012/1273).

(d) Signed on 28th March 2013. Schedule 1 replicates provision contained in the Directions to Strategic Health Authorities concerning GP Registrars 2003 signed in October 2003 ("the 2003 Directions") as in force immediately before 1st April 2013. The 2003 Directions make provision for Health Education England to exercise functions of the Secretary of State in relation to the payments of grants, fees, travelling and other allowances to GP Trainers and GP Registrars in accordance with provision made in Schedule 1 to those Directions. The 2003 Directions were amended by the Strategic Health Authorities and GP Registrar (Amendment) Directions 2004, the Strategic Health Authorities and GP Registrar (Amendment) Directions 2005, the Strategic Health Authorities and GP Registrar (Amendment) Directions 2006, the Strategic Health Authorities and GP Registrar (Amendment) Directions 2007, the Strategic Health Authorities and GP Registrar (Amendment) (No.2) Directions 2007, the Strategic Health Authorities and GP Registrar (Amendment) (No.3) Directions 2007, the Strategic Health Authorities and GP Registrar (Amendment) Directions 2008, the Strategic Health Authorities and GP Registrar (Amendment) Directions 2009, the Strategic Health Authorities and GP Registrar (Amendment) Directions 2010 and the Strategic Health Authorities Concerning GP Registrars (Amendment) Directions 2011.

(e) The 2013 Directions were amended by the Directions to Health Education England (GP Registrars) 2013 and the Directions to the National Health Service Litigation Authority (GP Registrars) 2013 Amendment Directions 2013 which were signed on 14th January 2014. These Directions substituted Annex 3 of Schedule 1 to the 2003 Directions as included in Schedule 1 to the 2013 Directions.
“CCT” means Certificate of Completion of Training awarded under section 34L(1) of the Medical Act 1983 (award and withdrawal of Certificate of Completion of Training)(a);

“general practitioner” means a medical practitioner whose name is included in the medical performers list prepared and maintained by the National Health Service Commissioning Board(b) in accordance with regulation 3(1)(a) of the National Health Service (Performers Lists) (England) Regulations 2013(c) (performers lists);

“GP Registrar” means a general practitioner who is being trained in general practice by a GP Trainer whether as part of training leading to a CCT or otherwise;

“GP Trainer” means a general practitioner, other than a GP Registrar, who is approved by the General Medical Council under section 34(I)(1)(c) of the Medical Act 1983 (postgraduate medical education and training: approvals)(d) for the purposes of providing training to a GP Registrar.

Non-consolidated payments: special provision

3.—(1) This direction applies to a GP Registrar who—
(a) on the date on which these Directions come into force—
    (i) is at pay point SpR09 or pay point StR09 on the pay scale set out in Annex 3 of Schedule 1 to the 2003 Directions as included in Schedule 1 to the 2013 Directions, and
    (ii) was, at 31st March 2014, in receipt of a basic annual salary of £47,175;
    and
(b) remains a GP Registrar throughout the period commencing on 1st April 2014 and ending on 31st March 2015.

(2) Health Education England must pay, in respect of the period commencing on 1st April 2014 and ending on 31st March 2015, a non-consolidated payment of £472.00 in 12 instalments to a GP Registrar to whom this direction applies.

(3) For the purposes of this direction, “non-consolidated payment” means a payment which is non-recurrent and non-pensionable and which does not count as part of the GP Registrar’s basic salary.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Health

Name
Member of the Senior Civil Service
Department of Health

(a) 1983 c.54. Section 34L was inserted by S.I. 2010/234.
(b) The National Health Service Commissioning Board was established by section 1H of the National Health Service Act 2006. Section 1H was inserted by section 9 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 (c.7).
(c) S.I.2013/335.
(d) Section 34I was inserted by S.I. 2010/234.