The Secretary of State for Health, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 98A, 272(7) and (8) and 273(1) of the National Health Service Act 2006(a), gives the following Directions.

Citation, commencement, application and interpretation

1.—(1) These Directions may be cited as the Alternative Provider Medical Services (Amendment) Directions 2017 and come into force immediately after they are signed.

(2) These Directions are given to the National Health Service Commissioning Board(b).

(3) In these Directions “the principal Directions” means the Alternative Provider Medical Services Directions 2016(c).

Amendment of direction 14 of the principal Directions

2. In direction 14 of the principal Directions (mandatory terms of an APMS contract under which essential services are to be provided), in paragraph (1)—

(a) for sub-paragraph (g) substitute—

“(g) regulations 67A to 67F (provision of information requirements which relate to GP access data, the National Diabetes Audit, indicators no longer included in the Quality and Outcomes Framework, alcohol related risk reduction and dementia diagnosis and treatment, the NHS Digital Workforce Census and overseas visitors);”

(b) for sub-paragraph (k) substitute—

“(k) Schedule 2, paragraph 14 (newly registered patients – alcohol dependency screening) and paragraph 14A (patients living with frailty);”; and

(c) for sub-paragraph (n) substitute—

“(n) Schedule 2, paragraph 18 (inclusion in list of patients: armed forces personnel) and paragraph 18A (inclusion in list of patients: detained persons);”.

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(a) 2006 c.41. Section 98A of the National Health Service Act 2006 (“the Act”) was inserted by section 49(1) of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 (c.7) (“the 2012 Act”). The powers conferred by these sections are exercisable by the Secretary of State only in relation to England, by virtue of section 271(1) of the Act.

(b) The National Health Service Commissioning Board (known as “NHS England”) was established by section 1H of the Act. Section 1H was inserted by section 9(1) of the 2012 Act.

(c) The Alternative Provider Medical Services Directions 2016 were signed on 3rd October 2016.
Signed on behalf of the Secretary of State for Health

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