## NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND

## The National Patient Safety Agency (Amendment No. 2) Directions 2012

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

## Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) These Directions may be cited as the National Patient Safety Agency (Amendment No. 2) Directions 2012.
  - (2) These Directions come into force on 1st June 2012.
- (3) These Directions are given to the National Patient Safety Agency established by the National Patient Safety Agency (Establishment and Constitution) Order 2001(b).
- (4) In these Directions "the Principal Directions" means the Directions to the National Patient Safety Agency signed on 29th March 2005(c).

## **Amendments of the Principal Directions**

- 2.—(1) In direction 1 of the Principal Directions (application, commencement and interpretation), omit the definitions of "the Care Quality Commission", "patient safety incident", "the NRLS function" and "the trust".
  - (2) For paragraphs (1) to (3) of direction 2 of the Principal Directions (functions of the Agency) substitute—
    - "(1) The Secretary of State directs the Agency to perform all acts necessary and appropriate for the purpose of the abolition of the Agency and the management of the affairs of the Agency prior to its abolition."

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Health

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<sup>(</sup>a) 2006 c. 41. By virtue of section 271(1) of the Act the powers conferred on the Secretary of State by those sections are exercisable only in relation to England.

<sup>(</sup>b) S.I. 2001/1743; amended by S.I. 2003/1077, 2005/504 and 2012/476.

<sup>(</sup>c) Amended by the National Patient Safety Agency (Extension of Functions to Pharmacists and Miscellaneous Amendments) Directions 2009 signed on 31st March 2009, the National Patient Safety Agency (Co-ordination of Patient Safety Activities Function) Directions 2009 signed on 1st June 2009, the National Patient Safety Agency (Amendment) Directions 2011 signed on 1st June 2011, the National Patient Safety Agency (Amendment No.2) Directions 2011 signed on 31st August 2011, the National Patient Safety Agency (Amendment) (No.3) Directions 2011 signed on 29th November 2011 and the National Patient Safety Agency (Amendment) Directions 2012 signed on 30th March 2012. Copies of the directions can be obtained from the Department of Health, Patient Safety & Investigations, Wellington House, 133-155 Waterloo Road, London SE1 8UG.