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Health and Care Integration Regulations

The principles of health and care integration are set out in the Public Bodies (Joint Working) Act 2014. However, the detailed arrangements for implementation are set out in regulations. The draft regulations came in two sets and we outlined these in briefings [here](#) and [here](#).

Following a period of consultation the Scottish Government has laid the following draft Affirmative Regulations to support the integration of health and social care before the Scottish Parliament. These relate to:

- [Prescribed matters to be included in the Integration Scheme](#)
- [Prescribed functions that must be delegated by Local Authorities](#)
- [Prescribed functions that must and may be delegated by Health Boards](#)
- [Prescribed National Health and Wellbeing Outcomes](#)

Once approved by resolution of the Parliament, the Regulations will come into effect by December 2014.

A further eight Negative Scottish Statutory Instruments to support integration, will be laid at the end of October and will also come into effect by December 2014.

In the main, the above regulations cover the functions that councils and health boards must delegate to the integrated joint boards and those that they have discretion over. Branches will recognise the importance of these decisions, as they determine which members will come under the scope of the new boards.

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