

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE

**THE ACCREDITATION OF GENERAL
PRACTITIONERS AND PHARMACISTS WITH
SPECIAL INTERESTS DIRECTIONS 2007**

The Secretary of State for Health, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 8 of the National Health Service Act 2006(a), gives the following Directions:

Citation, commencement and application

1.—(1) These Directions, which may be cited as the Accreditation of General Practitioners and Pharmacists with Special Interests Directions 2007, shall come into force on 1 June 2007.

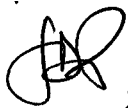
(2) These Directions are given to Primary Care Trusts in England and apply in relation to England.

Compliance with guidance document: the accreditation of General Practitioners and Pharmacists with Special Interests

2. A Primary Care Trust shall have regard to the provisions of the guidance document entitled “Implementing care closer to home – Convenient quality care for patients Part 3: The accreditation of GPs and Pharmacists with Special Interests” issued by the Department of Health in April 2007 when—

- (a) commissioning any services to be provided by a General Practitioner with Special Interests or by a Pharmacist with Special Interests, or
- (b) assessing or accrediting a General Practitioner with Special Interests or a Pharmacist with Special Interests as suitable to provide any services the Primary Care Trust wishes to commission.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Health



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(a) 2006 c.41.