

SL(6)543 – The Partnership Arrangements (Miscellaneous Amendments etc.) (Wales) Regulations 2024

Background and Purpose

Part 9 of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 ('the Act') provides the Welsh Ministers with powers to ensure appropriate structures and resources are in place to enable the provision of integrated care and support services. The Partnership Arrangements (Wales) Regulations 2015 ('the Partnership Arrangement Regulations') provide for the establishment of seven regional partnership boards on the health board footprint and set out requirements for those boards.

These Regulations amend the Partnership Arrangements Regulations, making changes to the objectives, membership and administrative arrangements of the regional partnership boards. Amendments made to the Care and Support (Area Planning) (Wales) Regulations 2017 concern monitoring and evaluation of the progress made in delivering area plans. A small amendment is also made to the Partnership Arrangements (Amendment) and Regulated Services (Market Stability Reports) (Wales) Regulations 2021, to change the date by which future reports must be published.

Procedure

Draft affirmative.

The Welsh Ministers have laid a draft of the Regulations before the Senedd. The Welsh Ministers cannot make the Regulations unless the Senedd approves the draft Regulations.

Technical Scrutiny

The following point is identified for reporting under Standing Order 21.2 in respect of this instrument.

1. Standing Order 21.2(v) - that for any particular reason its form or meaning needs further explanation.

In regulation 5(2), in the amendment made to regulation 11(1), the new sub- paragraph (l) refers to "the Welsh Ambulance Services National Health Service Trust". However, the name of this NHS trust was amended earlier this year by article 3 of S.I. 2024/358 (W. 66) to include the word "University" ("Prifysgol"). Therefore, it should now be referred to as the "Welsh Ambulance Services **University** National Health Service Trust" in the English text, and "Ymddiriedolaeth **Brifysgol** Gwasanaeth Iechyd Gwladol Gwasanaethau Ambiwylans Cymru" in the Welsh text. While there is a saving provision in article 4 of S.I. 2024/358 (W. 66), the



Welsh Government is asked to explain why the amended name of this NHS trust has not been used.

Merits Scrutiny

No points are identified for reporting under Standing Order 21.3 in respect of this instrument.

Welsh Government response

A Welsh Government response is required.

Committee Consideration

The Committee considered the instrument at its meeting on 18 November 2024 and reports to the Senedd in line with the reporting point above.

