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National Health Service in Scotland Management Executive

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Dear Colleague

MENTAL HEALTH (SCOTLAND) ACT 1984 POWERS OF HEALTH BOARDS IN RELATION TO PROPERTY OF PATIENTS

Summary

1. Enclosed for the information of Health Boards are copies of the direction made by the Secretary of State under Section 94(2) of the Mental Health (Scotland) Act 1984.

Action

2. This direction increases from £3,000 to £5,000 the total amount of money or valuables that a Health Board may receive or hold on behalf of any person who (i) is detained in hospital under the 1984 Act or the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1975 or (ii) is receiving treatment for mental disorder as a patient in hospital where the medical officer has given his opinion that the person is incapable of managing their own affairs. Health Boards may not hold or receive money or valuables exceeding in total the sum of £5,000 without the consent of the Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland.

3. This letter should be copied to Unit General Managers for action as required.

Yours sincerely

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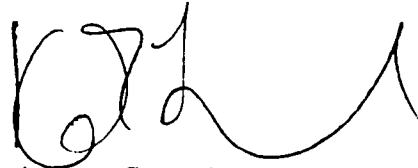
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MENTAL HEALTH (SCOTLAND) ACT 1984
DIRECTION UNDER SECTION 94(2)

In exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 94(2) of the Mental Health (Scotland) Act 1984 and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf the Secretary of State directs as follows:-

The money or valuables which the Health Board may receive or hold on behalf of any one person by virtue of section 94(1) of the said Act shall for the time being not exceeded in the aggregate an amount of £5,000.

Given under the Seal of the Secretary of State.



Assistant Secretary

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