CQC REGISTRATION

The Health and Social Care Act 2008 requires all providers of a regulated service to be registered with CQC. The service is regulated if it appears in a list of activities described in the legislation (see Schedule below).

Registration will apply to all providers of regulated services. Providers will be registered for each of the regulated activities they provide rather than for their individual services (such as a specific care home or hospital).

It is the legal entity that provides the service that must be registered. The individual locations from which the service is provided will not register separately. However, CQC make it plain that where a corporate provider is a subsidiary of a bigger group, it will need to register as a provider in its own right if that subsidiary is the legal entity responsible for the regulated activity. The extent to which companies within a particular “family tree” need to register will therefore depend upon which of the legal entities are actually the operational provider of the service. Any companies that provide the service will need to be registered to provide that particular service.

Registration will commence in April 2010 to take effect in October 2010 other than:

- Non surgical laser and intense pulsed light services
- Domiciliary care agencies and nursing agencies that purely provide staff to other registered providers
- Shared lives schemes that do not arrange placements for people with personal care needs
- Primary care services that directly provide GP services will register from April 2012
- Primary care services that directly provide dentistry and independent ambulance services will need to register from April 2011

CQC are also considering other services that may need to be included e.g day care.

Schedule

- Personal Care
- Accommodation for people who require nursing or personal care
- Accommodation and nursing or personal care in the further education sector
- Treatment of disease, disorder or injury
- Assessment or medical treatment for people detained under the Mental Health Act 1983
- Surgical Procedures
- Diagnostic and screening procedures
- Management of supply of blood and blood derived products
- Transport services, triage and medical advice provided remotely
- Maternity and midwifery services
- Termination of pregnancies
- Services in slimming clinics
- Nursing Care
- Family planning services

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