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Dear Colleague

Consultation - The National Health Service (Superannuation Scheme, Injury Benefits, Additional Voluntary Contributions and Compensation for Premature Retirement) (Civil Partnership) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005

I enclose, for your comments, a copy of the draft regulations which will amend The NHS Superannuation Scheme (Scotland) Regulations 1995, The NHS (Scotland) (Injury Benefits) Regulations 1998, The NHS (Scotland) (Additional Voluntary Contributions) Regulations 1998 and the NHS (Compensation for Premature Retirement) (Scotland) Regulations 2003.

These regulations make provision for pensions for surviving civil partners and reflect the recognition of civil partners and their rights, with regard to pensions, following the coming into force on 5 December 2005 of the Civil Partnership Act 2004. It is intended that these regulations should come into force on the same day. I would be grateful therefore if you would let me have any **comments by Friday 9th September.**

Comments should be sent to me at the above address or by email to Sharon.Liptrott@Scotland.gsi.gov.uk.

In accordance with our normal practice, the Agency may make available, on request, responses to this consultation exercise, other than those in which consultees indicate that they wish their responses to be treated as confidential.

Yours sincerely

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Consultation Addressees

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