

Police Pension Schemes

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Who should read: The Chief Constable of Police Scotland

Action: For information and circulation to Police Scotland HR

Subject: Police Medical Appeal Boards

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The purpose of this circular is to provide an update on the provider of Police Medical Appeal Boards.

Arrangements for Police Medical Appeal Boards are UK-wide. Following completion of a procurement process undertaken by the Home Office, Duradiamond Healthcare Ltd has been selected to administer and provide Police Medical Appeal Boards with effect from 1 October 2019. The Home Office managed contract includes medical appeals made by Scottish police officers and firefighters.

The following are the key points about the arrangements:

- a)** The appointment of Duradiamond Healthcare Ltd does not affect the legislation, guidance and procedures for police medical appeals, which remain unchanged.
- b)** The duration of the contract is three years, with provision for a one-year extension.

Relevant documentation, including information on procedures and costs, has been sent separately to Police Scotland HR. We do not expect the appointment of Duradiamond Healthcare Ltd to significantly change the previous arrangements.

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Duradiamond Healthcare Ltd will provide management information to the Home Office and SPPA, and will also provide information showing the extent to which it has complied with the Framework agreement. The Home Office will manage performance reviews and SPPA would welcome feedback at any time on how boards are operating.

Any questions?

Please contact Iain.Coltman@gov.scot if you have any enquiries about this circular.

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