

## **DIRECTIONS GIVEN UNDER THE HUMAN TISSUE ACT 2004**

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**Directions on bringing into effect certain revised Codes of Practice (third and second editions) and the Code of Practice A: Guiding principles and the fundamental principle of consent (first edition) that were issued on 3 April 2017**

Ref 002/2017

**These Directions are**

General Directions

**Section of the Human Tissue Act 2004 providing for these Directions**

Sections 26 and 37

**These Directions come into effect**

28 July 2017

**These Directions remain in effect**

Until revoked

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1. These Directions revoke Directions 002/2009.
2. Second editions of the Codes of Practice on Consent and Disposal of human tissue referred to in Directions 002/2009 shall no longer be in effect from 28 July 2017.
3. The third edition of the following Codes of Practice, issued on 3 April 2017, namely
  - (i) Code of Practice B: Post-mortem examination;
  - (ii) Code of Practice C: Anatomical examination;
  - (iii) Code of Practice F: Donation of solid organs and tissue for transplantation; and
  - (iv) Code of Practice G: Donation of allogeneic bone marrow and peripheral blood stem cells for transplantation;

provided for under Section 26 of the Human Tissue Act 2004, shall come into effect on 28 July 2017.

4. The second edition of the following Codes of Practice, that were issued on 3 April 2017, namely

- (i) Code of Practice D: Public display; and
- (ii) Code of Practice E: Research;

provided for under Section 26 of the Human Tissue Act 2004, shall come into effect on 28 July 2017.

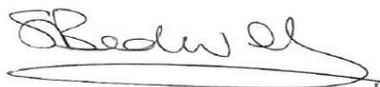
5. The first edition of the following Code of Practice, issued on 3 April 2017, namely

- (i) Code of Practice A: Guiding principles and the fundamental principle of consent;

provided for under Section 26 of the Human Tissue Act 2004, shall come into effect on 28 July 2017.

6. These Directions are made by the Human Tissue Authority.

Dated: 28 July 2017



Signed:

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Director of Regulation

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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Section 28 of the Human Tissue Act 2004 provides as follows:

“(1) A failure on the part of any person to observe any provision of a code of practice under section 26 shall not of itself render the person liable to any proceedings.

(2) The Authority may, in carrying out its functions with respect to licences, taking into account any relevant observance of, or failure to observe, a code of practice under section 26, so far as dealing with a matter mentioned in any paragraphs (a) to (c) and (e) to (j) of subsection (2) of that section.”