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LMC Policy on General Practitioners Signing Drug Charts in (Residential) Care Homes

Update on previous policy statement dated 21 March 1995.

Since that time the responsibility for care home standards has passed from Tayside Regional Council Social Work Department to the Care Commission.

The Committee discussed this at our meeting on 16 January 2006, and reaffirmed the position that there is no contractual requirement on general practitioners to sign Kardexes in care homes. Furthermore there is no contractual requirement for a general practitioner to attend a care home to take part in a case review.

We recognise that the Care Commission may put pressure on care homes but that it is up to the Care Commission to find a solution to how it helps care homes meet the Care Commissions' standards.

Andrew J Buist
Medical Secretary
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