

# Statutory Instruments with Clear Reports

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## SL(5)547 – The Community Health Councils (Constitution, Membership and Procedures) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2020

### **Procedure: Negative**

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These Regulations amend the Community Health Councils (Constitution, Membership and Procedures) (Wales) Regulations 2010 (as amended by the Community Health Councils (Constitution, Membership and Procedures)(Wales) Regulations 2015) (“the Community Health Councils Regulations”).

As well as setting out Constitution and Procedural requirements for Community Health Councils, the Community Health Councils Regulations set the maximum terms of service for:

- members of Community Health Councils that are appointed by the Welsh Ministers, voluntary organisations and local authorities;
- co-opted (non-voting) members of Community Health Councils, that are appointed by the Community Health Councils themselves; and
- the maximum period a CHC member may serve as a chair or vice chair of a CHC or as a chair or vice chair of a CHC local committee.

These regulations are being made in response to the suspension of the public appointments process in Wales due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Given the uncertainty about the duration of the COVID-19 pandemic and the forthcoming abolition of Community Health Councils and the Establishment of the Citizen Voice Body, after the Health and Social Care (Quality and Engagement)(Wales) Bill receives Royal Assent, these Regulations make provision to make the membership arrangements fit for purpose during the transitional period.

**Parent Act:** National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006

**Date Made:** 06 May 2020

**Date Laid:** 07 May 2020

**Coming into force date:** 30 May 2020

