

Registration under the Health and Social Care Act 2008

Quick reference guide to regulated activities by service type

Guidance for providers

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Introduction

This quick reference guide shows how regulated activities and service types are likely to link to each other.

It is important to remember that it is your responsibility to review the regulated activities regulations, decide which regulated activities you are carrying out in your service(s), and then apply to register for those activities. If you carry on a regulated activity without being registered for it, you may be prosecuted and liable to a fine.

This document is a guide only. You must NOT use it as any kind of prescribed route for deciding which regulated activities to apply for.

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How do I use the reference grid?

The grid on pages 4 and 5 shows how we think each of the regulated activities would be likely to apply to each service type. You can use this to help decide which regulated activities apply to you.

First, identify which service types apply to you. Our publication *Guidance about compliance: Essential standards of quality and safety* sets out the definitions of each service type (see our online version www.cqcguidanceaboutcompliance.org.uk).

Then use the grid to find your service type(s) and see which of the coloured blocks corresponds to the regulated activities for your service type. On the next page, we explain how we have coded them.



Highly likely: regulated activities in this category are those that we think a provider of that service type would most likely apply to register for. If a provider did not apply for one of these, then we might ask them why they hadn't. (But note – if the provider does not carry out the regulated activity, then they are not 'required' to apply for it just because it is in this 'highly likely' category.)



Possible in many cases: regulated activities in this category are those that we think are likely to apply in the majority of cases, but there may be a number of circumstances in which they would not be relevant. We would not question a provider of the service type for not applying for them, but would urge people to think very carefully before deciding that they are definitely **not** carrying out that regulated activity.



Possible in some cases: regulated activities in this category are those that we think are likely to apply in some cases to these service types. We would not question a provider of the service type for applying for these, as we are aware of examples where they do apply, but we would urge providers to think very carefully before deciding that they definitely **are** carrying on that regulated activity.



Highly unlikely: we would not expect to see a provider of the corresponding service type applying to register for regulated activities in this category. Some providers could not provide the activity – for example, the regulated activity 'Assessment or medical treatment for people detained under the Mental Health Act 1983' can only be used to detain people for an assessment or treatment **in a hospital** so it is not applicable in any other service. Likewise, providers of hyperbaric chamber services would not provide slimming clinic services.

If a provider did apply for these regulated activities, then we might ask them why. (Note that if the regulated activity **did** apply to the service, then we would not refuse the service provider's application.)

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What should I do if more than one service type applies?

You should look at all the corresponding blocks in the grid that apply to the service types you provide and ensure that you apply for the regulated activities you need.

This may influence your application regarding how your locations link to the regulated activities (see our guidance on locations <http://www.cqc.org.uk/organisations-we-regulate/registering-first-time/what-registration>).

	Highly likely
	Possible in many cases
	Possible in some cases
	Highly unlikely

	Regulated activities														
	Personal care	Accom for persons who require nursing or personal care	Accom for persons who require treatment for substance misuse	Accom and nursing or personal care in the further education sector	Treatment of disease, disorder or injury	Assessment or medical treatment for persons detained under Mental Health Act 1983	Surgical procedures	Diagnostic and screening procedures	Management of the supply of blood and blood derived products	Transport services, triage and medical advice provided remotely	Maternity and midwifery services	Termination of pregnancies	Services in slimming clinics	Nursing care	Family planning services
Acute services															
Hyperbaric chamber services															
Hospice services															
Long-term conditions services															
Hospital for mental health/learning disability															
Hospital for substance misuse															
Prison healthcare services															
Rehabilitation services															
Residential substance misuse treatment/rehabilitation															
Community healthcare services															
Doctors consultation services															
Doctors treatment services															
Dental services															
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