MIXED-SEX ACCOMMODATION (MSA) – REVISIONS POLICY

GENERAL

A separate revisions policy has been developed for the MSA data return. This will allow the outcome of meetings between providers and commissioners regarding breaches to be incorporated into the data in a prompt manner. The policy is consistent with the National Statistics Code of Practice and the UK Statistics Authority's guidance on data revisions.

TIMING

We have agreed with the NHS to move to a six monthly revisions process from February 2012 data inline with our revisions protocol. Revisions for October - March will be published alongside May data in June. Revisions for April – September will be published alongside November data in December.

DISSEMINATION

Data revisions to individual trusts and PCTs will be reflected in the England and SHA totals, and the impact on previously published data will be summarised on release.

ASSESSMENT OF REVISIONS

Final decisions about publishing revised data will be taken after consultations with senior professional Department of Health analysts and we reserve the right to refuse any revisions.