

Cosmetic Surgery (Minimum Standards) Bill

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Establish minimum standards for the practice of cosmetic surgery, including non-surgical procedures; and for connected purposes.

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen’s most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1 Implant registry

- (1) There shall be a body corporate known as the United Kingdom Implant Registry (“the Registry”).
- (2) The Registry will record details of implants, including –
 - (a) the date that the surgery occurred, 5
 - (b) the manufacturer, the model,
 - (c) where and when the implant was manufactured,
 - (d) the details of the person who underwent the implant procedure,
 - (e) the name and location of the clinic where the surgical procedure was undertaken, 10
 - (f) the name of the clinic where the person who underwent the surgical procedure received consultation services, and
 - (g) the name and details of the practitioner who carried out and oversaw the surgical procedure.
- (3) Details of each implant will be updated to allow for monitoring of clinical outcomes. 15
- (4) The information held by the Registry, except the name and address of the person who underwent the surgical procedure, will be publicly available.
- (5) The information described in subsection (2) will be available to the person who underwent the surgical procedure or a medical practitioner on their behalf. 20
- (6) The Registry may issue a safety warning about an implant, manufacturer or practitioner.

- (7) In the event of such a warning being issued the Registry will contact all the persons affected.

2 The Cosmetic Surgery Regulatory and Standards Authority

- (1) There shall be a body corporate known as the United Kingdom Cosmetic Surgery Regulatory and Standards Authority (“OffCos”). 5
- (2) All practitioners of cosmetic surgery will be required to register with OffCos.
- (3) No practitioner not registered with OffCos shall undertake cosmetic surgery and cosmetic intervention procedures.
- (4) OffCos will be responsible for issuing licences to practitioners and for licensing surgical premises, and may withdraw licences if it considers practitioners and premises to be unfit. 10
- (5) OffCos, in conjunction with the Care Quality Commission in England, the Care and Social Services Inspectorate Wales, the Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority in Northern Ireland, and the Care Commission in Scotland, will be responsible for inspecting and licensing cosmetic surgery practitioners and premises. 15
- (6) OffCos will operate a financial guarantee scheme which practitioners will be required to join.

3 Prohibition of advertising cosmetic surgery and cosmetic intervention procedures

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- (1) A person who in the course of a business publishes a cosmetic surgery or cosmetic intervention procedure advertisement, or causes one to be published, in the United Kingdom is guilty of an offence.
- (2) A person who in the course of a business prints, devises or distributes in the United Kingdom a cosmetic surgery or cosmetic intervention procedure advertisement which is published in the United Kingdom, or causes such a cosmetic surgery or cosmetic intervention procedure advertisement to be so printed, devised or distributed, is guilty of an offence. 25
- (3) Distributing a cosmetic surgery or cosmetic intervention procedure advertisement includes transmitting it in electronic form, participating in doing so, or providing the means of transmission. 30

4 Offences

A person guilty of an offence under section 2 or 3 is liable on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months, or to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale, or to both. 35

5 Non-surgical cosmetic intervention procedures

All non-surgical cosmetic intervention procedures, including practitioners and products will be regulated and licensed by OffCos.

6 Financial provisions

There is to be paid out of money provided by Parliament – 40

- (a) *any expenditure incurred under or by virtue of this Act by the Secretary of State, and*
- (b) *any increase attributable to this Act in the sums payable under any other Act out of money so provided.*

7 Short title, commencement and extent

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- (1) This Act may be cited as the Cosmetic Surgery (Minimum Standards) Act 2013.
- (2) This Act comes into force at the end of the period of 1 year beginning with the day on which it is passed.
- (3) This Act extends to England and Wales, and Scotland and Northern Ireland.

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