

## Superannuation (NHS) Circular No 9/2009

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Dear Colleagues,

### **NHS ILL HEALTH RETIREMENT MEDICAL GUIDANCE**

1. This circular provides details of a new guidance document which has been prepared in respect of ill health retirement for NHS scheme members.
2. At its meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2009 the Scottish NHS Pensions Group (SPG) agreed this medical guide for the use of clinical and occupational health practitioners who advise NHS Pension Scheme members and their NHS employers.
3. "A Guide to Ill-Health Retirement" can be found on our website ([www.sppa.gov.uk](http://www.sppa.gov.uk)) at the attached link: [NHS Ill Health Guidance.pdf](#)
4. The medical guide provides details of the new two tier ill-health retirement arrangements which came into effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2008. In particular Section (9) provides guidelines for the completion of our two application forms – Form AW8 & Form AW8/MED.
5. I would be grateful if you could notify your HR manager(s) and occupational health service manager(s) as to the publication of this guidance for their reference.
6. If you have any queries regarding this please contact me in writing at the above address.

Yours faithfully



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Director of Operations

