Annex 1 - NHS employers
**England**

Unless the text indicates otherwise, any reference to NHS employers in this handbook shall mean any of the following organisations:

- NHS trusts including Foundation Trusts
- Special health authorities
- Integrated Care Boards
- NHS England (which incorporates Monitor and NHS Trust Development Agency (NHS Improvement), The Health and Social Care Information Centre (NHS Digital) and Health Education England))
- National Institute for Health and Care Excellence
- Health Research Authority
- NHS Blood and Transplant
- NHS Business Service Authority
- NHS Counter Fraud Authority
- NHS Resolution
- The Health Services Safety Investigations Body (HSSIB)

**Northern Ireland**

Unless the text indicates otherwise, any reference to NHS employers in this handbook shall mean any of the following organisations:

- HSC Board
- HSC Trusts
- Public Health Agency
- Business Services Organisation
• Patient and Client Council
• HSC Special Agencies

Scotland

Unless the text indicates otherwise, any reference to NHS employers in this handbook shall mean any of the following organisations:

• Health boards
• Special health boards

Wales

Unless the text indicates otherwise, any reference to NHS employers in this handbook shall mean any of the following organisations:

• NHS trusts
• Local health boards
• Special Health Authorities