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
- Clinical commissioning groups
- Special health authorities
- Integrated Care Boards
- The NHS Commissioning Board (NHS England)
- Monitor (NHS Improvement)
- NHS Trust Development Agency (NHS Improvement)
- The Health and Social Care Information Centre (NHS Digital)
- National Institute for Health and Care Excellence
- Health Education England
- 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