

Gender Equality Duty

What does it mean for NHS Scotland?

In April 2007, the Gender Equality Duty came into place. This means that the NHS in Scotland needs to make sure the design and delivery of services takes into account the different needs of women and men, including transsexual people.

Did you know:

- Men typically develop heart disease 10 years earlier than women
- Women are around 2.7 more likely to develop auto-immune diseases such as diabetes, than men
- Man to woman HIV infection is more than twice as likely as woman to man HIV infection
- Women are more likely than men to suffer from anxiety or depression, while men are more likely than women to commit suicide
- The gap between women and men who smoke is growing with more young girls taking up the habit than young boys

“ **Positive Action, Real Change** ”

“ **The aim: better health services for all** ”

Women and men have different health needs, recognising this will improve health services for all

For more information:

www.fairforall.org.uk

www.fairforallgender.org.uk

www.equalityhumanrights.com