## STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

## 1998 No. 159

# NURSES, MIDWIVES AND HEALTH VISITORS

The Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors (Professional Conduct) (Amendment) Rules 1998, Approval Order (Northern Ireland) 1998

> Made 23rd April 1998 Coming into operation 18th May 1998

I, the Right Honourable Sir Robert Carswell, Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by sections 19(5) and 22(3) of, and Schedule 3 to, the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Act 1997(1) and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, hereby approve the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors (Professional Conduct) (Amendment) Rules 1998 made by the United Kingdom Central Council for Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting and set out in the Schedule hereto.

This Order may be cited as the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors (Professional Conduct) (Amendment) Rules 1998, Approval Order (Northern Ireland) 1998 and shall come into operation on 18th May 1998.

Dated 23rd April 1998

Robert Carswell Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland

#### **SCHEDULE**

THE NURSES, MIDWIVES AND HEALTH VISITORS (PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT) (AMENDMENT) RULES 1998 made by THE UNITED KINGDOM CENTRAL COUNCIL FOR NURSING, MIDWIFERY AND HEALTH VISITING under THE NURSES, MIDWIVES AND HEALTH VISITORS ACT 1997

The United Kingdom Central Council for Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 10 of the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Act 1997(2), hereby makes the following rules—

### Citation, Interpretation and Transitional Provision

- 1.—(1) These rules may be cited as the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors (Professional Conduct) (Amendment) Rules 1998.
- (2) For the purpose of these rules "the Professional Conduct rules" means the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors (Professional Conduct) Rules 1993(3).
- (3) These rules shall apply in respect of a person removed from the register on or after the date of the commencement of these rules and any person removed from the register for a specified period before that date shall be treated as if these rules had not come into force.

## **Amendment of the Professional Conduct rules**

- 2.—(1) The Professional Conduct rules shall be amended in accordance with the following paragraphs of this rule.
  - (2) In rule 2—
    - (a) in paragraph (4) the words "in accordance with rule 22(1), or" shall be deleted; and
    - (b) in paragraph (5) the words "in accordance with rule 49(1) or" shall be deleted.
  - (3) In rule 22—
    - (a) paragraph (1) shall be deleted; and
    - (b) in paragraph (2) the words ", for an unspecified period," shall be deleted.
  - (4) In rule 49—
    - (a) paragraph (1) shall be deleted; and
    - (b) in paragraph (2) the words ", for an unspecified period," where they twice appear shall be deleted.

GIVEN under the Official Seal of the UNITED KINGDOM CENTRAL COUNCIL FOR NURSING, MIDWIFERY AND HEALTH VISITING this

Mary Uprichard
President

16th day of March, 1998

<sup>(2) 1997</sup> c. 24

<sup>(3)</sup> S.R. 1993 No. 313

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Sue Norman Chief Executive/Registrar

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Order.)

This Order, as respects proceedings in Northern Ireland, approves the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors (Professional Conduct) (Amendment) Rules 1998, which are set out in the Schedule.

The 1998 Rules amend the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors (Professional Conduct) Rules 1993 so that a person who has been removed from the register for a specified period for ill health or misconduct has to apply for restoration at the end of that period in the same way as a person who has been removed from the register for an unspecified period.