WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2007 No. 856 (W.79) (C.34)

MENTAL CAPACITY, WALES

Mental Capacity Act 2005 (Commencement) (Wales) Order 2007

Made - - - - 13 March 2007

Coming into force

For the purpose of article 3 1 July 2007

For the purpose of article 4 1 October 2008

For all other purposes 1 October 2007

The National Assembly for Wales, in exercise of powers conferred on it by section 68(2) of the Mental Capacity Act 2005(1) makes the following Order:

Title and interpretation

- 1.—(1) The title of this Order is the Mental Capacity Act 2005 (Commencement) (Wales) Order 2007.
 - (2) This Order applies to Wales.
 - (3) In this Order "the Act" ("y Ddeddf") means the Mental Capacity Act 2005.

Commencement

- **2.** Subject to Articles 3 and 4, sections 30 to 34 (research) of the Act come into force on 1 October 2007.
- **3.** Sections 30 to 34 of the Act come into force on 1 July 2007 for the purpose of enabling applications for approval in relation to research to be made to, and determined by, an appropriate body.
- **4.** Sections 30 to 34 of the Act come into force on 1 October 2008 in respect of any research which is carried out as part of a research project which
 - (a) begins before 1 October 2007; and

- (b) is approved before 1 October 2007 by a committee established to advise on, or on matters which include, the ethics of research in relation to people who lack capacity to consent to it.
- **5.** Sections 35 to 41 (independent mental capacity advocate service) of the Act come into force on 1 October 2007.

Signed on behalf of the National Assembly for Wales under section 66(1) of the Government of Wales Act 1998(2)

13 March 2007

D. Elis-Thomas
The Presiding Officer of the National Assembly

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

- 1. This Order commences sections 30 to 41 of the Mental Capacity Act 2005 (c. 9) ("the Act") in relation to Wales.
- **2.** Article 2 brings sections 30 to 34 of the Act into force on 1 October 2007 in respect of any research carried out as part of a project begun on or after 1 October 2007.
- **3.** Article 3 brings sections 30 to 34 into force on 1 July 2007 for the purpose of enabling research applications to be made to, and determined by, an appropriate body.
- **4.** Article 4 provides that where a research project begins before 1 October 2007 and is approved before that date, sections 30 to 34 do not come into force until 1 October 2008.
 - **5.** Article 5 brings sections 35 to 41 into force on 1 October 2007.