



2009 CHAPTER 1

Supplementary

Interpretation

31.—(1) In this Act—

“the Central Services Agency” means the Northern Ireland Central Services Agency for the Health and Social Services established under Article 26 of the Order of 1972;

“the Department” means the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety;

“the framework document” has the meaning given in section 5;

“the health and social care bodies” has the meaning given in section 1(5);

“Health and Social Services Board” means a body established under Article 16 of the Order of 1972;

“health care” has the meaning given in section 2(5);

“health inequalities” has the meaning given in section 2(5);

“HSC trust” means a Health and Social Care trust established under Article 10 of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1991 (NI 1);

“the Mental Health Commission” means the Mental Health Commission for Northern Ireland established under Part 6 of the Mental Health (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 (NI 4);

“the Order of 1972” means the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972 (NI 14);

“prescribed” means prescribed by regulations;

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“the Regional Agency” means the Regional Agency for Public Health and Social Well-being established under section 12;

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“RBSO” means the Regional Business Services Organisation established under section 14;

“RQIA” means the Health and Social Care Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority;

“regulations” means regulations made by the Department;

“social care” has the meaning given in section 2(5);

“special agency” means a special health and social care agency established under Article 3 of the Health and Personal Social Services (Special Agencies) (Northern Ireland) Order 1990 (NI 3);

“statutory provision” has the meaning given in section 1(f) of the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 (c. 33).

(2) Other expressions used in this Act to which a meaning is given in Article 2(2), (3) or (4) of the Order of 1972 have the same meaning in this Act as in that Order.

Textual Amendments

F1 Words in s. 31 omitted (1.4.2022) by virtue of [Health and Social Care Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2022 \(c. 3\)](#), s. 8(1)(b), [Sch. 1 para. 240](#); S.R. 2022/102, art. 2(b)

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