

## 2011 CHAPTER 7

## **Directions to the Safeguarding Board**

**4.**—(1) The Department may give directions of a general or specific nature to the Safeguarding Board as to the exercise by the Board of any of its functions.

(2) Before giving any directions to the Safeguarding Board under subsection (1) the Department must consult the Board.

(3) Where the Department is of the opinion that because of the urgency of the matter it is necessary to give directions under subsection (1) without consulting the Safeguarding Board—

- (a) subsection (2) does not apply; but
- (b) the Department must as soon as reasonably practicable give notice to the Board of the grounds on which the Department formed that opinion.

(4) The Safeguarding Board must comply with any directions given to it under subsection (1).

(5) Any directions given to the Safeguarding Board by the Department under subsection (1) may be varied or revoked by any subsequent directions so given.