
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2003 No. 431

The Health and Personal Social Services (Quality, Improvement and Regulation) (Northern Ireland) Order 2003

PART II

[^{F1}Health and Social Care Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority]

General duties in relation to provision of services

- 4.—(1) In this Part “services” means services provided by—
- (a) persons registered under Part III; and
 - (b) ^{F1}... [^{F2}HSC trusts] and special agencies.
- (2) The [^{F3}RQIA] shall have the general duties of—
- (a) keeping the Department informed about the provision of services and in particular about their availability and their quality; and
 - (b) encouraging improvement in the quality of services.

F1 Words in art. 4(1)(b) omitted (1.4.2022) by virtue of [Health and Social Care Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2022 \(c. 3\)](#), s. 8(1)(b), [Sch. 1 para. 198](#); S.R. 2022/102, art. 2(b)

F2 Words in Order substituted (1.4.2009) by virtue of [Health and Social Care \(Reform\) Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2009 \(c. 1\)](#), ss. 32, 34(3), [Sch. 6 para. 1\(1\)\(d\)](#) (with Sch. 6 para. 1(3)); S.R. 2009/114, [art. 2](#)

F3 Words in Order substituted (11.4.2014) by [Health and Social Care \(Amendment\) Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2014 \(c. 5\)](#), [Sch. para. 1\(1\)\(b\)](#) (with Sch. para. 1(2))

Changes to legislation:

The Health and Personal Social Services (Quality, Improvement and Regulation) (Northern Ireland) Order 2003, Section 4 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 12 March 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Order associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Order (including any effects on those provisions):

- art. 15(2)(e)(f) substituted for art. 15(2)(e) by [2022 c. 18 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 62](#)