# STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2003 No. 431 (N.I. 9)

# **NORTHERN IRELAND**

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

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Coming into operation in accordance with Article 1

# THE HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES (QUALITY, IMPROVEMENT AND REGULATION) (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 2003

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Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made).

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SCHEDULES

# Schedule 1 — THE NORTHERN IRELAND HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES REGULATION AND IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY

# Status

1. The Regulation and Improvement Authority shall not be regarded as...

# General powers

2. (1) Subject to any directions given by the Department, the...

# General duty

3. The Regulation and Improvement Authority shall carry out its functions...

### Membership

4. The Regulation and Improvement Authority shall consist of a chairman...

Appointment, procedure etc.

5. The Department may by regulations make provision as to—

# Remuneration and allowances

6. (1) The Regulation and Improvement Authority may pay to its...

# Chief executive

7. (1) There shall be a chief executive of the Regulation...

# Staff

8. (1) The Regulation and Improvement Authority may appoint such other...

### Delegation of functions

9. The Regulation and Improvement Authority may arrange for the discharge...

Arrangements for the use of staff

10. The Department may by regulations provide for arrangements under which —...

Payments to the Regulation and Improvement Authority

11. The Department may make payments to the Regulation and Improvement...

#### Accounts

12. (1) The Regulation and Improvement Authority shall—

Application of seal and evidence

- 13. The application of the seal of the Regulation and Improvement...
- 14. A document purporting to be duly executed under the seal...

# Default powers of Department

15. (1) The powers conferred by this paragraph are exercisable by...

Transfer of staff to the Regulation and Improvement Authority

16. (1) The Department may by order make a scheme for...

Transfer of assets and liabilities to the Regulation and Improvement Authority

17. (1) The Department may by order transfer or provide for...

### SCHEDULE 2 — THE CARE TRIBUNAL

# Constitution of Care Tribunal

1. (1) There shall be appointed—(a) a panel of persons...

# Appointment of the panels

2. (1) The members of the chairmen's panel shall be appointed...

# Tenure of office

3. (1) Each member of the chairmen's panel or lay panel...

# Staff and accommodation

4. The Department may, with the consent of the Department of...

# Remuneration and expenses

5. (1) The Department may pay any person, in respect of...

#### Attendance allowances

6. The Department may pay such allowances for the purpose of...

### Temporary provision

7. Until the commencement of section 5(1) of the Justice (Northern...

# SCHEDULE 3 — TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS AND SAVINGS

# Fostering agencies

1. The Department may by regulations provide that, if prescribed requirements...

# Voluntary adoption agencies

2. (1) Where a body is, before the commencement of Article...

# Saving for amendments

3. The amendments made by paragraphs 2, 3(3) and (4) and...

### SCHEDULE 4 — AMENDMENTS

The Superannuation (Northern Ireland) Order 1972 (NI 10)

The Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972 (NI 14)

The Northern Ireland Assembly Disqualification Act 1975 (c. 25)

The Mental Health (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 (NI 4)

The Adoption (Northern Ireland) Order 1987 (NI 22)

The Disabled Persons (Northern Ireland) Act 1989 (c. 10)

The Children (Northern Ireland) Order 1995 (NI 2)

The Commissioner for Complaints (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 (NI 7)

The Health and Personal Social Services Act (Northern Ireland) 2001 (c. 3)

The Adoption (Intercountry Aspects) Act (Northern Ireland) 2001 (c. 11)

The Justice (Northern Ireland) Act 2002 (c. 26)

The Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults (Northern Ireland) Order 2003 (NI 00)

Schedule 5 — REPEALS

**Explanatory Note**