

## 1994 No. 159

## ACCESS TO HEALTH RECORDS

**The Access to Health Records (Control of Access)  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994**

*Made* . . . . . 25th April 1994

*Coming into operation* . . . . . 30th May 1994

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 7(5) of the Access to Health Records (Northern Ireland) Order 1993(a) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:

*Citation and commencement*

1. These regulations may be cited as the Access to Health Records (Control of Access) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994 and shall come into operation on 30th May 1994.

*Restriction of right of access to health records*

2. Access shall not be given under Article 5(2) of the Access to Health Records (Northern Ireland) Order 1993 to any part of a health record which would disclose information showing that an identifiable individual was, or may have been, born in consequence of treatment services within the meaning of the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 1990(b).

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services on 25th April 1994.

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(a) S.I. 1993/1250 (N.I. 4)  
(b) 1990 c. 37

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations.)*

These Regulations preclude access, under Article 5(2) of the Access to Health Records (Northern Ireland) Order 1993, to any part of a health record where the granting of access would disclose information showing that an identifiable individual was, or may have been, born as a consequence of treatment services provided in accordance with the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 1990 (which itself contains provisions regulating access to such information).