
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1998 No. 13

**Medical Practitioners (Vocational Training)
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998**

Part I

GENERAL

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these Regulations—

“the 1978 Order” means the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1978;

“appeal body” means the body appointed by the Department under regulation 14;

“certificate of prescribed experience” means a certificate issued pursuant to regulation 10 and, for the purposes of regulation 4 includes a certificate of prescribed experience issued under the Medical Practitioners (Vocational Training) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979⁽¹⁾;

“certificate of equivalent experience” means a certificate issued pursuant to regulation 12 and, for the purposes of regulation 4, includes a certificate of equivalent experience issued under the Medical Practitioners (Vocational Training) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979;

“General Practice (GP) Registrar” has the meaning assigned to it in regulation 2 of the General Medical Services Regulations, regulation 2(1) of the National Health Service (General Medical Services) Regulations 1992⁽²⁾ and regulation 2(1) of the National Health Service (General Medical Services) (Scotland) Regulations 1995⁽³⁾, and also includes a practitioner who is being trained in general practice under an arrangement approved by the Armed Services General Practice Approval Board;

“the General Medical Services Regulations” means the General Medical Services Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997⁽⁴⁾;

“Health and Social Services Board” includes an HSS Trust established under Article 10 of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1991⁽⁵⁾ and any person responsible for the management of a hospital which is not vested in either the Department or an HSS Trust;

“the Joint Committee” means the Joint Committee on Postgraduate Training for General Practice;

“Medical Directive” means Council Directive [93/16/EEC](#) of 5 April 1993 to facilitate the free movement of doctors and the mutual recognition of their diplomas, certificates and

(1) [S.R. 1979 No. 460](#)

(2) [S.I.1992/635](#) as amended by [S.I. 1997/2468](#), regulation 3

(3) [S.I. 1995/416](#) as amended by [S.I. 1998/4](#), regulation 2(2)

(4) [S.R. 1997 No. 380](#) as amended by [S.R. 1998 No. 9](#)

(5) [S.I. 1991/194 \(N.I. 1\)](#)

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other evidence of formal qualifications⁽⁶⁾, as amended by Council Directive [97/50/EC](#) of 6th October 1997⁽⁷⁾;

“the medical list” means a list maintained under regulation 4 of the General Medical Services Regulations;

“practitioner” means a fully registered medical practitioner except for the purposes of regulation 6(4) where it also includes a medical practitioner with limited registration under section 22 of the Medical Act 1983⁽⁸⁾;

“satisfactory completion”, in relation to the period of training in any employment has the meaning assigned to it in regulation 9(1);

“summative assessment” has the meaning assigned to it in regulation 9(2); and

“trainer” has the meaning assigned to it in regulation 7(1).

⁽⁶⁾ O.J. No. L165, 7.7.93, p. 1

⁽⁷⁾ O.J. No. L921, 24.10.97, p. 35

⁽⁸⁾ [1983 c. 54](#) section 22 was amended by S.I. [1996/1591](#), regulation 6(5) and (6)