
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1998 No. 376

HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES

**The Dentists Act 1984 (Amendment)
Order (Northern Ireland) 1998**

Made - - - - 28th October 1998

Coming into operation 1st January 1999

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 32(3) and (4) of the Health Services (Primary Care) (Northern Ireland) Order 1997(1) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Dentists Act 1984 (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1998 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1999.

Amendment of section 40 of the Dentists Act 1984

2. In section 40 of the Dentists Act 1984(2) (definition of business of dentistry), in subsection (2), after paragraph (ab)(3) insert—

“(ac) by a person (other than one falling within paragraph (a) above) providing personal dental services under Article 15B of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(4), or”.

(1) S.I. 1997/1177 (N.I. 7)

(2) 1984 c. 24

(3) Paragraph (ab) is inserted by S.I. 1998/1546

(4) S.I. 1972/1265 (N.I. 14); Article 15B is inserted by Article 21 of S.I. 1997/1177 (N.I. 7)

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services on

L.S.

28th October 1998.

Joan Dixon
Assistant Secretary

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order.)

This Order amends section 40 of the Dentists Act 1984 (“the 1984 Act”), which defines the “business of dentistry”. The 1984 Act prohibits the carrying on of the business of dentistry except by specified persons, but provides for certain exemptions. This Order adds a further exemption in respect of providers of personal dental services under the Health Services (Primary Care) (Northern Ireland) Order 1997 (“the 1997 Order”). Certain potential providers of personal dental services under that Order are already permitted by the 1984 Act to carry on the business of dentistry, or benefit from an exemption; but the list of potential providers of personal dental services in the 1997 Order is wider than the 1984 Act currently permits. This Order extends the exemptions in the 1984 Act so that it covers the complete list of potential providers of personal dental services under the 1997 Order.