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The Healthy Start Scheme and Day Care Food Scheme Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006

PART II

HEALTHY START SCHEME INTERPRETATION

Healthy Start Scheme Interpretation

3.—(1) In the Healthy Start scheme—

“beneficiary” means a person entitled to benefit pursuant to regulations 4 and 5;

“child” means a person under the age of 16;

“estimated date of delivery” means the date evidenced in writing and signed by a health professional pursuant to paragraph 2 of Schedule 1;

“family” has the meaning given by section 133(1) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992⁽¹⁾ for the purposes of Part VII of the Act (Income-Related Benefits);

“food outlet” means a person registered in accordance with regulation 15 to supply Healthy Start food;

“Health and Social Services Board” means a Health and Social Services Board established under Article 16 of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972⁽²⁾;

“Health and Social Services Trust” means a Health and Social Services Trust established under Article 10 of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1991⁽³⁾;

“health professional” means a medical practitioner, registered nurse or registered midwife, as the case may be;

“health service body” means a health service body prescribed in regulation 11(1);

“Healthy Start food” means the food prescribed at regulation 6(1);

“Healthy Start vitamins” means the vitamins specified in regulation 7(1);

“income-based job-seeker’s allowance” has the same meaning as in the Jobseekers (Northern Ireland) Order 1995⁽⁴⁾;

“income support” means income support under Part VII of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992;

(1) Section 133(1) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 was amended by paragraph 99 of Schedule 24 to the Civil Partnership Act 2004 (2004 c. 33)

(2) S.I. 1972/1265 (N.I. 14)

(3) S.I. 1991/194 (N.I. 1)

(4) S.I. 1995/2705(N.I. 15) Article 3(4) was amended by paragraph 3(4)(a) of Schedule 7 to the Welfare Reform and Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/3147 (N.I. 11))

“medical practitioner” means a registered person within the meaning of the Medical Act 1983⁽⁵⁾;

“parental responsibility” has the same meaning as in Article 6 of the Children (Northern Ireland) Order 1995⁽⁶⁾;

“period of validity” in relation to a voucher means the period indicated on it in accordance with regulation 10 as that during which it may be exchanged for Healthy Start food in accordance with the Healthy Start scheme;

“Pharmacist” has the same meaning as in the Medicines Act 1968⁽⁷⁾;

“registered nurse or registered midwife” means a person registered in the register maintained under Article 5 of the Nursing and Midwifery Order 2001⁽⁸⁾ by virtue of qualifications in nursing or midwifery, as the case may be;

“relevant income” has the same meaning as in section 7(3) of Part I of the Tax Credits Act 2002⁽⁹⁾;

“the 1988 Regulations” means the Welfare Foods Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988⁽¹⁰⁾;

“voucher” is to be construed in accordance with regulation 10.

(2) Where any provision of the Healthy Start scheme requires or enables anything to be done by or in respect of a beneficiary and that beneficiary is a child, the provision shall be deemed to refer to a parent with parental responsibility for the child or the child’s guardian or the person having care of him.

(5) 1983 (c. 54)

(6) S.I. 1995/775 (N.I. 2)

(7) 1968 c. 67

(8) S.I. 2002/253 “Registered” in relation to nurses and midwives is defined in Schedule 1 to the Interpretation Act 1978 (c. 30), and has been amended by paragraph 7, Schedule 5 to the Nursing and Midwifery Order 2001, and further amended by the Health Act 1999 (Consequential Amendments) (Nursing and Midwifery) Order 2004, S.I. 2004/1771

(9) 2002 c. 21

(10) S.R. 1988 No. 137, the relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 2004 No. 161 and S.R. 2006 No. 180