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# SCHEDULES<sup>1</sup>

## [<sup>F1</sup>SCHEDULE A1

### HOSPITAL AND CARE HOME RESIDENTS: DEPRIVATION OF LIBERTY

#### PART 3

##### THE QUALIFYING REQUIREMENTS

###### *The best interests requirement*

- 16 (1) The relevant person meets the best interests requirement if all of the following conditions are met.
- (2) The first condition is that the relevant person is, or is to be, a detained resident.
- (3) The second condition is that it is in the best interests of the relevant person for him to be a detained resident.
- (4) The third condition is that, in order to prevent harm to the relevant person, it is necessary for him to be a detained resident.
- (5) The fourth condition is that it is a proportionate response to—
- (a) the likelihood of the relevant person suffering harm, and
  - (b) the seriousness of that harm,
- for him to be a detained resident.]

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