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SCHEDULE

OBJECTIVES OF REGULATORS OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE PROFESSIONS

General Dental Council

- 1 (1) The Dentists Act 1984 is amended as follows.
 - (2) In section 1 (constitution and general duties of the General Dental Council)—
 - (a) after subsection (1) insert—
 - "(1ZA) The over-arching objective of the Council in exercising their functions under this Act is the protection of the public.
 - (1ZB) The pursuit by the Council of their over-arching objective involves the pursuit of the following objectives—
 - (a) to protect, promote and maintain the health, safety and well-being of the public;
 - (b) to promote and maintain public confidence in the professions regulated under this Act; and
 - (c) to promote and maintain proper professional standards and conduct for members of those professions.";
 - (b) omit subsection (2)(b) (and the word "and" immediately preceding it).
 - (3) In section 27A (powers of the Investigating Committee in respect of registered dentists), after subsection (3) insert—
 - "(3A) In deciding whether to issue a warning or advice under subsection (2) or give a direction under subsection (3), the Investigating Committee (or any panel by which the function is exercisable as mentioned in section 2(6A)) must have regard to the over-arching objective."
 - (4) In section 33 (the dental profession: supplementary provision relating to fitness to practise cases), after subsection (5) insert—
 - "(5A) In exercising a function under section 27B, 27C or 28, a Practice Committee (or any panel by which the function is exercisable as mentioned in section 2(6A)) must have regard to the over-arching objective."
 - (5) In section 36O (powers of the Investigating Committee in respect of registered dental care professionals), after subsection (3) insert—
 - "(3A) In deciding whether to issue a warning or advice under subsection (2) or give a direction under subsection (3), the Investigating Committee (or any panel by which the function is exercisable as mentioned in section 2(6A)) must have regard to the over-arching objective."
 - (6) In section 36W (professions complementary to dentistry: supplementary provision relating to fitness to practise cases), after subsection (5) insert—
 - "(5A) In exercising a function under section 36P, 36Q or 36R, a Practice Committee (or any panel by which the function is exercisable as mentioned in section 2(6A)) must have regard to the over-arching objective."
 - (7) In section 53 (interpretation), after subsection (3) insert—

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"(3A) References in this Act to the over-arching objective are to the over-arching objective of the Council under section 1(1ZA) (read with section 1(1ZB))."

Commencement Information

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