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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1993 No. 2155**

**MENTAL HEALTH**

**The Mental Health (Nurses) Amendment Order 1993**

*Made* - - - - *3rd September 1993*

*Coming into force* - - *1st October 1993*

The Secretary of State for Health, in exercise of the powers conferred on her by section 5(4) of the Mental Health Act 1983(1) and of all other powers enabling her in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:—

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Mental Health (Nurses) Amendment Order 1993 and shall come into force on 1st October 1993.

**Amendment of Order**

2.—(1) The Mental Health (Nurses) Order 1983(2) shall be amended in accordance with the following paragraph of this article.

(2) In article 2 (prescribed class of nurse for the purposes of section 5(4) of the Mental Health Act 1983) after the words “Part 5 (first level nurses trained in the nursing of persons suffering from mental handicap)” there shall be inserted the words “or Part 13 (nurses qualified following a course of preparation in mental health nursing) or Part 14 (nurses qualified following a course of preparation in mental handicap nursing)”(3).

3rd September 1993

*Virginia Bottomley*  
Secretary of State for Health

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(1) 1983 c. 20. See section 5(7) for the meaning of “prescribed”.

(2) S.I.1983/891.

(3) Parts 13 and 14 of the register were added to the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors (Parts of the Register) Order 1983 (S.I. 1983/667) by S.I. 1989/1455.

**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made).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

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### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order amends the Mental Health (Nurses) Order 1983 by adding two further classes of nurses to the classes of nurses prescribed for the purposes of section 5(4) of the Mental Health Act 1983, as nurses on the basis of whose written record a patient who is receiving treatment for a mental disorder as an in-patient in hospital may be detained for up to 6 hours.