STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Adoption Agencies Regulations 2005

PART 7

CASE RECORDS

Transfer of case records

- **43.**—(1) An adoption agency may transfer a copy of a child's case record or prospective adopter's case record (or part of that record) to another adoption agency when it considers this to be in the interests of the child or prospective adopter to whom the record relates, and a written record shall be kept of any such transfer.
- (2) Subject to paragraph (3), a registered adoption society which intends to cease to act or exist as such shall forthwith either transfer its case records to another adoption agency having first obtained the registration authority's approval for such transfer, or transfer its case records—
 - (a) to the local authority in whose area the society's principal office is situated; or
 - (b) in the case of a society which amalgamates with another registered adoption society to form a new registered adoption society, to the new body.
- (3) An adoption agency to which case records are transferred by virtue of paragraph (2)(a) or (b) shall notify the registration authority in writing of such transfer.