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# Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Act 2019

# 2019 anaw 3

#### PART 5

# INVESTIGATION OF COMPLAINTS RELATING TO OTHER PERSONS: SOCIAL CARE AND PALLIATIVE CARE

# Interpretation

# Meaning of "care home" and "care home provider"

- (1) This section applies for the purposes of this Act.
- (2) "Care home" means premises at which a care home service, within the meaning of Part 1 of the Regulation and Inspection of Social Care (Wales) Act 2016 (anaw 2), is provided wholly or mainly to persons aged 18 or over.
- (3) "Care home provider" means a person who is a service provider of a care home service within the meaning of Part 1 of that Act where the service is provided wholly or mainly to persons aged 18 or over.
- (4) Action is to be treated as action taken by a care home provider if it is taken by—
  - (a) a person employed by that provider,
  - (b) a person acting on behalf of that provider, or
  - (c) a person to whom that provider has delegated any functions.
- (5) Action is also to be treated as action taken by a care home provider if—
  - (a) that provider provides, by means of an arrangement with another person, accommodation, nursing or care in a care home in Wales for an individual because of the individual's vulnerability or need, and
  - (b) the action is taken by or on behalf of the other person in carrying out the arrangement.

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(6) "Care" has the same meaning as in Part 1 of the Regulation and Inspection of Social Care (Wales) Act 2016 (anaw 2).

#### **Commencement Information**

I1 S. 62 in force at 23.7.2019 by S.I. 2019/1096, reg. 2

# 63 Meaning of "domiciliary care" and "domiciliary care provider"

- (1) This section applies for the purposes of this Act.
- (2) "Domiciliary care" means personal care provided in their own homes for persons who by reason of illness, infirmity or disability are unable to provide it for themselves without assistance.
- (3) "Domiciliary care provider" means a person who carries on an activity which involves the provision of domiciliary care, but it does not include an individual who—
  - (a) carries on the activity otherwise than in partnership with others,
  - (b) is not employed by a body corporate or unincorporated association to carry it on,
  - (c) does not employ any other person to carry out the activity, and
  - (d) provides or arranges the provision of domiciliary care to fewer than four persons.
- (4) Action is to be treated as action taken by a domiciliary care provider if it is taken by—
  - (a) a person employed by that provider,
  - (b) a person acting on behalf of that provider, or
  - (c) a person to whom that provider has delegated any functions.
- (5) Action is also to be treated as action taken by a domiciliary care provider if—
  - (a) that provider provides domiciliary care by means of an arrangement with another person, and
  - (b) the action is taken by or on behalf of the other person in carrying out the arrangement.

# **Commencement Information**

I2 S. 63 in force at 23.7.2019 by S.I. 2019/1096, reg. 2

# Meaning of "palliative care service" and "independent palliative care provider"

- (1) This section applies for the purposes of this Act.
- (2) "Palliative care service" means a service the main purpose of which is to provide palliative care.
- (3) "Independent palliative care provider" means a person who—
  - (a) provides a palliative care service, and
  - (b) is not a Welsh health service body.

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- (4) Action is to be treated as action taken by an independent palliative care provider if it is taken by—
  - (a) a person employed by that provider,
  - (b) a person acting on behalf of that provider, or
  - (c) a person to whom that provider has delegated any functions.
- (5) Action is also to be treated as action taken by an independent palliative care provider if—
  - (a) that provider provides palliative care by means of an arrangement with another person, and
  - (b) the action is taken by or on behalf of the other person in carrying out the arrangement.

#### **Commencement Information**

I3 S. 64 in force at 23.7.2019 by S.I. 2019/1096, reg. 2

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# Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

- Act modified by 2023 asc 3 Sch. 2 para. 6
- Act modified by 2023 asc 3 Sch. 12 para. 7(2)

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 65(7)(f) inserted by 2022 c. 30 Sch. 10 para. 6(2)(a) (Welsh language text)
- s. 65(7)(f) inserted by 2022 c. 30 Sch. 10 para. 6(2)(b) (English language text)