



## 2002 CHAPTER 9

### **The Northern Ireland Practice and Education Council for Nursing and Midwifery**

2.—(1) There shall be a body corporate to be known as the Northern Ireland Practice and Education Council for Nursing and Midwifery (referred to in this Act as “the Council”).

- (2) It shall be the duty of the Council to promote—
- (a) high standards of practice among nurses and midwives;
  - (b) high standards in the education and training of nurses and midwives; and
  - (c) the professional development of nurses and midwives.
- (3) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (2) the Council may—
- (a) provide guidance on best practice for nurses and midwives; and
  - (b) provide advice and information on matters relating to nursing and midwifery.
- (4) The Council shall, in the exercise of its functions, act—
- (a) in accordance with any directions given to it by the Department; and
  - (b) under the general guidance of the Department.
- (5) The Schedule shall have effect with respect to the Council.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Health and Personal Social Services Act (Northern Ireland) 2002, Section 2.