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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 2

Authorisation of short-term detention in hospital for examination etc

#### Part 3

Events terminating the authorisation

##### *Discharge*

16.—(1) If—

- (a) pursuant to a report under paragraph 2, P is admitted to the hospital specified in the report, or
- (b) P is treated under paragraph 1(5) as so admitted,

and P is subsequently discharged from detention, that discharge is an event which terminates the authorisation.

(2) For the purposes of this paragraph P is “discharged from detention” if P is informed in writing by the responsible medical practitioner that he or she is discharged from detention.

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#### **Commencement Information**

- II** Sch. 2 para. 16 in operation at 2.12.2019 for specified purposes by S.R. 2019/163, art. 2(4), Sch. Pt. 4 (with art. 3) (as amended by S.R. 2019/190, art. 2)

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

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

- s. 285(2)(a)-(c) substituted for s. 285(2)(a)(b) by [2022 c. 18 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 77\(b\)](#)