
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1993 No. 1250

The Access to Health Records (Northern Ireland) Order 1993

Introductory

Title and commencement

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Access to Health Records (Northern Ireland) Order 1993.
- (2) This Order shall come into operation on such day as the Head of the Department may by order appoint.

Interpretation

2.—(1) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(1) shall apply to Article 1 and the following provisions of this Order as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

(2) In this Order—

“application” means an application in writing and “apply” shall be construed accordingly;

“care” includes examination, investigation, diagnosis and treatment;

“child” means an individual who has not attained the age of 16 years;

“the Department” means the Department of Health and Social Services;

“general practitioner” means a medical practitioner who is providing general medical services in accordance with arrangements made under Article 56 of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(2);

“Health and Social Services Board” means a board established under Article 16 of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972;

“health service body” means—

- (a) a Health and Social Services Board;
- (b) a special health and social services agency established under the Health and Personal Social Services (Special Agencies) (Northern Ireland) Order 1990(3); or
- (c) a Health and Social Services trust established under Article 10 of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1991(4);

“information”, in relation to a health record, includes any expression of opinion about the patient;

“make”, in relation to such a record, includes compile;

“parental responsibility” has the same meaning as in the Child Support (Northern Ireland) Order 1991(5).

(1) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)
(2) 1972 NI 14
(3) 1990 NI 3
(4) 1991 NI 1
(5) 1991 NI 23

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