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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1997 No. 1177**

The Health Services (Primary Care)  
(Northern Ireland) Order 1997

PART III

PRIMARY CARE

*Personal medical or dental services*

**Right to choose dental practitioner**

**24.** In the 1972 Order, after Article 15E, insert—

**“Right to choose dental practitioner**

**15F.**—(1) Provision shall be made in regulations for conferring a right on any person to choose the dental practitioner from whom he is to receive primary dental services, subject to the consent of the practitioner concerned.

(2) The regulations shall, in particular, prescribe the procedure for choosing a practitioner.

(3) In this Article “primary dental services” means dental services which are—

- (a) provided, in accordance with Article 15B arrangements, as personal dental services;  
or
- (b) provided under Part VI as general dental services.”.

**Status:**

Prospective version(s) available.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Health Services (Primary Care) (Northern Ireland) Order 1997, Section 24.