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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2003 No. 431**

The Health and Personal Social Services (Quality, Improvement and Regulation) (Northern Ireland) Order 2003

PART IV

QUALITY OF HEALTH AND [F1social care]

**Duty of quality**

**34.**—(1) F1... Each [F2HSC trust] shall put and keep in place arrangements for the purpose of monitoring and improving the quality of—

- (a) the health and [F3social care] which it provides to individuals; and
- (b) the environment in which it provides [F4that care] .

(2) The Department may by regulations extend the duty in this Article to any special agency specified in the regulations.

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| <p><b>F1</b> Words in art. 34(1) omitted (1.4.2022) by virtue of <a href="#">Health and Social Care Act (Northern Ireland) 2022 (c. 3)</a>, s. 8(1)(b), <a href="#">Sch. 1 para. 200(a)</a>; S.R. 2022/102, art. 2(b)</p> <p><b>F2</b> Words in Order substituted (1.4.2009) by <a href="#">Health and Social Care (Reform) Act (Northern Ireland) 2009 (c. 1)</a>, ss. 32, 34(3), <a href="#">Sch. 6 para. 1(1)(d)</a> (with Sch. 6 para. 1(3)); S.R. 2009/114, <a href="#">art. 2</a></p> <p><b>F3</b> Words in Order substituted (1.4.2009) by <a href="#">Health and Social Care (Reform) Act (Northern Ireland) 2009 (c. 1)</a>, ss. 32, 34(3), <a href="#">Sch. 6 para. 1(1)(a)</a> (with Sch. 6 para. 1(2)(3)); S.R. 2009/114, <a href="#">art. 2</a></p> <p><b>F4</b> Words in art. 34(1)(b) substituted (1.4.2022) by <a href="#">Health and Social Care Act (Northern Ireland) 2022 (c. 3)</a>, s. 8(1)(b), <a href="#">Sch. 1 para. 200(b)</a>; S.R. 2022/102, art. 2(b)</p> |
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**Changes to legislation:**

The Health and Personal Social Services (Quality, Improvement and Regulation) (Northern Ireland) Order 2003, Section 34 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 22 April 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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

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

- art. 15(2)(e)(f) substituted for art. 15(2)(e) by [2022 c. 18 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 62](#)