### STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

# 1997 No. 184

# The Health and Personal Social Services (Fund-holding Practices) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997

#### Application for change in status of a recognised fund-holding practice

7. After regulation 8 of the principal Regulations (withdrawal or death of a member of a fund-holding practice) insert the following regulation—

#### "Application for change in status of a recognised fund-holding practice

**8A.**—(1) A community fund-holding practice may apply to become a standard fund-holding practice and a standard fund-holding practice may apply to become a community fund-holding practice.

(2) In this regulation, an application under paragraph (1) is referred to as an "application for change in fund-holding status".

(3) An application for change in fund-holding status to take effect from 1st April in any year shall be made by 1st April in the preceding year or, in the case of an application from a standard fund-holding practice to become a community fund-holding practice, such later date as the Department may agree.

(4) Regulations 2, 4 and 5 shall apply to an application for change in fund-holding status as they apply to an application for recognition as a fund-holding practice but as if the references in those regulations—

- (a) to an application were references to an application for change in fund-holding status; and
- (b) to the grant or refusal of recognition were references to the grant or refusal of an application for change in fund-holding status.".