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PART III

CONDUCT OF HEALTH CARE ESTABLISHMENTS AND AGENCIES

NOTICES TO BE GIVEN TO THE REGULATION AND IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY

Notification of deaths and other events

28.—(1) The registered person shall give notice to the Regulation and Improvement Authority of—

- (a) the death of a patient –
 - (i) in an establishment;
 - (ii) during treatment provided by an establishment or agency; or
 - (iii) as a consequence of treatment provided by an establishment or agency within the period of seven days ending on the date of the death, and the circumstances of his death;
- (b) any serious injury to a patient;
- (c) the outbreak in an establishment of any infectious disease, which in the opinion of any medical practitioner employed in the establishment is sufficiently serious to be so notified;
- (d) any event in the establishment or agency which adversely affects the well-being or safety of any patient;
- (e) any allegation of misconduct resulting in actual or potential harm to a patient by the registered person, any person employed in or for the purposes of the establishment or for the purposes of the agency, or any medical practitioner with practising privileges;
- (f) any theft, burglary or accident in the establishment or agency.

(2) Notice under paragraph (1) shall be given within the period of 24 hours beginning with the event in question and, if given orally, shall be confirmed in writing as soon as practicable.