## STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

# 2016 No. 104

# The Health and Social Care (Disciplinary Procedures) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016

### Referral of matters to professional bodies

**13.**—(1) Where the Regional Board has investigated a disciplinary matter and considers that the matter should be brought to the attention of the relevant professional body, it may refer to that body any documents in its possession connected with that disciplinary matter.

- (2) Where, in relation to any disciplinary matter-
  - (a) the Department—
    - (i) receives the determination of the Regional Board; or
    - (ii) makes a determination of an appeal under regulation 6; and
  - (b) that matter has not been the subject of a referral by the Regional Board under paragraph (1); and
  - (c) the Department considers that the matter should be brought to the attention of the relevant professional body,

it may refer to that body any documents in its possession connected with that disciplinary matter and any appeal.

- (3) In this regulation, "the relevant professional body" means—
  - (a) in relation to an ophthalmic medical practitioner, the General Medical Council(1);
  - (b) in relation to a dentist, the General Dental Council(2);
  - (c) in relation to an optician, the General Optical Council(3);
  - (d) in relation to a pharmacist, the Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland(4).

### **Commencement Information**

I1 Reg. 13 in operation at 1.4.2016, see reg. 1(1)

<sup>(1)</sup> See Medical Act 1983 (c.54), section 1

<sup>(2)</sup> See Dentists Act 1984 (c.24), section 1

<sup>(3)</sup> See Opticians Act 1989 (c. 44), section 1

<sup>(4)</sup> See Pharmacy (Northern Ireland) Order 1976 (S.I. 1976/1213 N.I 22) Article 3

**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Health and Social Care (Disciplinary Procedures) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016, Section 13.