
DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Pharmacy Order 2010

PART 7

Proceedings

Clinical and other specialist advisers

64.—(1) The Council may do either or both of the following in connection with proceedings under this Order—

- (a) appoint registered medical practitioners to be clinical advisers;
- (b) make rules which provide for it to enter into arrangements with another person for that person to appoint on behalf of the Council registered medical practitioners to be clinical advisers.

(2) The Council may do either or both of the following in connection with proceedings under this Order—

- (a) appoint persons to act as specialist advisers on issues on which, in the Council's opinion, specialist knowledge is required;
- (b) make rules which provide for it to enter into arrangements with another person for that person to appoint on behalf of the Council persons to be specialist advisers.

(3) Persons appointed to be—

- (a) clinical advisers must have specialist expertise in a particular field or fields; and
- (b) specialist advisers must have particular expertise in the speciality for which they are appointed.

(4) If clinical advisers are appointed under paragraph (1), their appointment is for the purpose of giving advice to—

- (a) the Investigating Committee or the Fitness to Practise Committee on health related issues under consideration by the committee in the proceedings before it; and
- (b) the Council or any of its other committees on health related issues.

(5) If specialist advisers are appointed under paragraph (2), their appointment is for the purpose of giving advice to—

- (a) one or more of the statutory committees on issues falling within their speciality which are under consideration by the committee in the course of proceedings before it; and
- (b) the Council or any of its other committees on issues falling within their speciality or related to it.

(6) Advisers appointed under this article may not be a member of the Council or of a statutory committee.

(7) Advisers appointed under this article—

- (a) may be appointed generally; or

(b) may be appointed for the purpose of any proceedings or particular class of proceedings, and are to hold and vacate office in accordance with the terms of the instrument under which they are appointed.

(8) The Council may make rules as to the functions of advisers appointed under this article.