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# Health Services and Public Health Act 1968

## 1968 CHAPTER 46

### PART IV

#### MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

*Provisions applicable to England and Wales and Scotland*

**F1** 60 .....

#### Textual Amendments

**F1** S. 60 repealed (14. 10. 1991) by [Children Act 1989](#) (c. 41, SIF 20), s. 108(6)(7), [Sch.15](#), (with Sch. 14 paras. 1(1), 27(4)); [S.I. 1991/828](#), [art. 3\(2\)](#).

61 ..... **F2**

#### Textual Amendments

**F2** S. 61 repealed by [Social Security Act 1988](#) (c. 7, SIF 113:1), s. 16, [Sch. 5](#)

**62 Hover vehicles brought within scope of Acts relating to public health and food and drugs.**

(1) In the <sup>M1</sup>Public Health Act 1936 references to vessels, . . . <sup>F3</sup>, shall be construed as including references to [<sup>F4</sup>hovercraft within the meaning of the <sup>M2</sup>Hovercraft Act 1968] and [<sup>F5</sup>in that Act]“master” shall be construed accordingly.

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- (2) This section shall have effect in Scotland as if, [<sup>F6</sup>the reference to the Public Health Act 1936 included references to both] the Public Health (Scotland) Acts 1897 to 1945 and the <sup>M3</sup>Food and Drugs (Scotland) Act 1956.

#### Textual Amendments

- F3** Words repealed by [Food Act 1984 \(c. 30, SIF 53:1\)](#), s. 134, [Sch. 10 para. 13\(a\)\(i\)](#), Sch. 11  
**F4** Words substituted by [National Health Service Reorganisation Act 1973 \(c. 32\)](#), [Sch. 4 para. 123](#)  
**F5** Words substituted by [Food Act 1984 \(c. 30, SIF 53:1\)](#), s. 134, [Sch. 10 para. 13\(a\)\(ii\)](#)  
**F6** Words substituted by [Food Act 1984 \(c. 30, SIF 53:1\)](#), s. 134, [Sch. 10 para. 13\(b\)](#)

#### Marginal Citations

- M1** 1936 c. 49.  
**M2** 1968 c. 59.  
**M3** 1956 c. 30.

### 63 Provision of instruction for officers of hospital authorities and other persons employed, or contemplating employment, in certain activities connected with health or welfare.

- (1) [<sup>F7</sup>The Secretary of State] may, either directly or by entering into arrangements with others,—
- (a) provide, for persons employed or having it in contemplation to be employed as officers, or servants of a [<sup>F8</sup>Strategic Health Authority]<sup>F9</sup>... [<sup>F10</sup>or Special Health Authority, Health Board [<sup>F11</sup>, Primary Care Trust or Local Health Board]] such instruction as appears to him conducive to securing their efficiency as such officers or servants;
  - (b) provide, for persons (other than such as are mentioned in the foregoing paragraph) of such class as may be [<sup>F12</sup>determined by him] who are employed, or have it in contemplation to be employed, in an activity to which this paragraph applies, such instruction as appears to him conducive to the efficient carrying on of that activity; and
  - (c) provide material and premises necessary for, or in connection with, the provision of any such instruction as aforesaid.
- (2) Paragraph (b) of the foregoing subsection applies to the following activities, namely—
- (a) an activity involved in the provision of a service which must or may, by virtue of the relevant enactments, be provided or the provision of which must or may, by virtue of those enactments, be secured by the Minister of Health or the council of a [<sup>F13</sup>non-metropolitan county [<sup>F14</sup>county borough], metropolitan district] or London borough or the Common Council of the City of London <sup>F15</sup> . . . ;
  - [<sup>F16</sup>(aa) the provision or performance of a primary medical service or primary dental service under [<sup>F17</sup>either of the 2006 Acts][<sup>F18</sup>or the provision or performance of a primary medical service under Part 1 of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978] and an activity involved in or connected with the provision or performance of such a service;]
  - (b) the provision of a service for the provision of which [<sup>F19</sup>Primary Care Trust or][<sup>F20</sup>a [<sup>F21</sup>Local Health Board]] is, by virtue of [<sup>F22</sup>Chapter 1 of Part 7 of the National Health Service Act 2006, or Part 6 of, or Chapter 1 of Part 7

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of, the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006], under a duty to make arrangements and an activity involved in or connected with the provision of such a service;

[<sup>F23</sup>(ba) the provision or performance of a service in accordance with arrangements made under <sup>F24</sup>... section 17C of the <sup>M4</sup>National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978 and an activity involved in or connected with the provision or performance of such a service;]

[<sup>F25</sup>(bb) the provision of a local pharmaceutical service under a pilot scheme [<sup>F26</sup>or an LPS scheme established under either of the 2006 Acts] or under any corresponding provision of the law in force in the Isle of Man and an activity involved in or connected with the provision of such a service;]

(c) an activity involved in the provision of a service which must or may, by virtue of the relevant enactments, be provided or the provision of which must or may, by virtue of those enactments, be secured by the Secretary of State or a county council or a town council of a large burgh or a joint county council;

(d) the provision of a service for the provision of which [<sup>F27</sup>a Health Board] is, by virtue of Part [<sup>F28</sup>II] of the [<sup>F28</sup>1978] Act, under a duty to make arrangements and an activity involved in or connected with the provision of such a service; and

(e) an activity involved in the provision of a service under the law in force in Northern Ireland corresponding to a service mentioned in paragraph (a) above;

(f) the provision of a service under the law in force in Northern Ireland corresponding to a service mentioned in paragraph (b) above, and an activity involved in or connected with the provision of such a service.

<sup>F29</sup>(3) .....

<sup>F30</sup>(4) .....

(5) Instruction under this section may be provided on such terms, including terms as to payment of charges, as [<sup>F7</sup>the Secretary of State] thinks fit.

[<sup>F31</sup>(5A) The Secretary of State may by regulations provide for any functions exercisable by a [<sup>F32</sup>Strategic Health Authority],<sup>F33</sup>... [<sup>F34</sup>Special Health Authority [<sup>F35</sup>, Primary Care Trust or Local Health Board]] under or in relation to arrangements made under subsection (1) above to be exercisable by the [<sup>F36</sup>Strategic Health Authority],<sup>F33</sup>... [<sup>F34</sup>Special Health Authority [<sup>F35</sup>, Primary Care Trust or Local Health Board]] jointly with one or more other relevant health service bodies; and

[<sup>F37</sup>(a) in the case of regulations made by the Secretary of State, section 272 of the National Health Service Act 2006 applies to regulations made under this subsection as if this subsection were contained in that Act,

(b) in the case of regulations made by the Welsh Ministers, section 203 of the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006 applies to regulations made under this subsection as if this subsection were contained in that Act.]

(5B) For the purposes of subsection (5A) above the following are relevant health service bodies—

[ Strategic Health Authorities;]

<sup>F38</sup>(za)

<sup>F39</sup>(a) .....

(b) Special Health Authorities;

[ Primary Care Trusts]; <sup>F41</sup>...

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- <sup>F40</sup>(bb)  
[ Local Health Boards; <sup>F43</sup> ... ]  
<sup>F42</sup>(bbb)  
(c) NHS trusts.  
[ NHS foundation trusts ]]  
<sup>F44</sup>(d)
- (6) [<sup>F7</sup>The Secretary of State] may, with the approval of the Treasury,—
- (a) make grants and pay fees to persons or bodies with whom arrangements under subsection (1) above are made for the provision of instruction under this section [<sup>F45</sup>and for ancillary administrative purposes]; and
  - (b) pay travelling and other allowances to persons availing themselves of such instruction.
- <sup>F46</sup>(7) .....
- (8) In this section—  
<sup>F47</sup> .....
- [<sup>F48</sup>“2006 Acts” means the National Health Service Act 2006 and the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006];  
“1947 Act” means the <sup>M5</sup>National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1947;  
“the relevant enactments” means—
- (a) in relation to subsection (2)(a) above, [<sup>F49</sup>any enactment functions under which [<sup>F50</sup>are social services functions within the meaning] of the <sup>M6</sup>Local Authority Social Services Act 1970][<sup>F51</sup>and the National Health Service Act [<sup>F52</sup>2006]];
  - (b) in relation to subsection (2)(c) above, <sup>F53</sup> . . . Part III of the <sup>M7</sup>National Assistance Act 1948, [<sup>F54</sup>section 39 of the <sup>M8</sup>National Health Service Scotland Act 1978][<sup>F55</sup>section 45 of this Act and the [<sup>F56</sup>2006 Acts]].
- [<sup>F57</sup>(8A) Expressions used in both this section and the [<sup>F58</sup>2006 Acts have the same meaning in this section as in those Acts].]
- (9) This section shall have effect in Scotland as if, for any reference therein (other than a reference in subsection (2) thereof) to the Minister of Health, there were substituted a reference to the Secretary of State; <sup>F59</sup> . . .
- <sup>X1</sup>(10) Section 48 of the 1946 Act and section 48 of the 1947 Act shall cease to have effect.

#### Editorial Information

- X1** The text of ss. 63(10), 78(2) is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and, except as specified, does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991

#### Textual Amendments

- F7** Words substituted by virtue of [S.I. 1968/1699, arts. 2, 5\(4\)\(a\)](#)
- F8** Words in S. 63(1)(a) inserted (1.10.2002) by [S.I. 2002/2469, reg. 4, Sch. 1 Pt. 1 para. 5](#)
- F9** Words in s. 63(1)(a) omitted (1.4.2007) by virtue of [The References to Health Authorities Order 2007 \(S.I. 2007/961\), art. 1\(1\), Sch. para. 6\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- F10** Words in s. 63(1)(a) substituted (1.4.2000 for E. and otherwise prosp.) by 1999 c. 8, ss. 65, 67(2), [Sch. 4 para. 3\(a\)](#); [S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2\(3\)\(a\)](#)

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- F11** Words in s. 63(1)(a) substituted (10.10.2002 for W., 1.3.2007 in so far as not already in force, immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 comes into force) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), s. 42(3), **Sch. 5 para. 2(2)**; S.I. 2002/2532, art. 2, Sch.; S.I. 2006/1407, art. 1(1), Sch. 1 para. 12 (with art. 4)
- F12** Words substituted (E.W.) by National Health Service Reorganisation Act 1973 (c. 32), **Sch. 4 para. 124(2)**, (S.) by National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1972 (c. 58), **Sch. 6 para. 135(b)**
- F13** Words substituted by National Health Service Reorganisation Act 1973 (c. 32), **Sch. 4 para. 124(3)**
- F14** Words in s. 63(2)(a) inserted (29.4.1996) by S.I. 1996/1008, art. 2, **Sch. 1 Pt. I para. 1**
- F15** Words repealed by Local Government Act 1985 (c. 51, SIF 81:1), s. 102, **Sch. 17**
- F16** S. 63(2)(aa) inserted (1.4.2004) by Health and Social Care (Community Health and Standards) Act 2003 (c. 43), s. 199(1)(4), **Sch. 11 para. 4(a)**; S.I. 2004/288, art. 5(2)(d) (with art. 7) (as amended by S.I. 2004/866 and S.I. 2005/2925); S.I. 2004/480, art. 4(2)(d) (with art. 6) (as amended by S.I. 2004/1019 and S.I. 2006/345); S.I. 2004/288, art. 5(2)(d) (with art. 7) (as amended by S.I. 2004/866 and S.I. 2005/2925); S.I. 2004/480, art. 4(2)(d) (with art. 6) (as amended by S.I. 2004/1019 and S.I. 2006/345)
- F17** Words in s. 63(2)(aa) substituted (1.3.2007) by National Health Service (Consequential Provisions) Act 2006 (c. 43), s. 8(2), **Sch. 1 para. 38(a)** (with Sch. 3 Pt. 1)
- F18** Words in s. 63(2)(aa) inserted (1.4.2004) by The Primary Medical Services (Scotland) Act 2004 (Consequential Modifications) Order 2004 (S.I. 2004/957), art. 1, **Sch. para. 1(3)**
- F19** Words in s. 63(2)(b) inserted (1.10.2002) by 2002 c. 17, s. 2(5), **Sch. 2 Pt. 2 para. 40(2)**; S.I. 2002/2478, **art. 3(1)(d)** (subject to arts 3(3) and 4)
- F20** Words in s. 63(1)(a)(2)(b) substituted (28.6.1995 for specified purposes and otherwise 1.4.1996) by virtue of 1995 c. 17, ss. 2(1)(3), 8(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. III**, para. 95(2)(a)(b) (with Sch. 2 paras. 6, 16)
- F21** Words in s. 63(2)(b) substituted (1.4.2007) by The References to Health Authorities Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/961), art. 1(1), **Sch. para. 6(2)(b)**
- F22** Words in s. 63(2)(b) substituted (1.3.2007) by National Health Service (Consequential Provisions) Act 2006 (c. 43), s. 8(2), **Sch. 1 para. 38(b)** (with Sch. 3 Pt. 1)
- F23** S. 63(2)(ba) inserted (1.4.1998) by 1997 c. 46, s. 41(10), **Sch. 2 Pt. I para. 1(4)**; S.I. 1998/631, art. 2(1), Sch. 1, **Sch. 2** (subject to art. 3(1)(2)(4))
- F24** Words in s. 63(2)(ba) repealed (1.4.2004) by Health and Social Care (Community Health and Standards) Act 2003 (c. 43), s. 199(1)(4), Sch. 11 para. 4(b), **Sch. 14 Pt. 4**; S.I. 2004/288, arts. 5(2)(d), 6(2)(b) (with art. 7) (as amended by S.I. 2004/866 and S.I. 2005/2925); S.I. 2004/480, arts. 4(2)(d), 5(2)(b) (with art. 6) (as amended by S.I. 2004/1019 and S.I. 2006/345); S.I. 2004/288, arts. 5(2)(d), 6(2)(b) (with art. 7) (as amended by S.I. 2004/866 and S.I. 2005/2925); S.I. 2004/480, arts. 4(2)(d), 5(2)(b) (with art. 6) (as amended by S.I. 2004/1019 and S.I. 2006/345)
- F25** S. 63(2)(bb) inserted (1.7.2002 for W., 1.1.2003 for E.) by Health and Social Care Act 2001 (c. 15), s. 70(2), **Sch. 5 para. 1(3)** (with ss. 64(9), 65(4)); S.I. 2002/1475; S.I. 2003/53, art. 2(a)
- F26** Words in s. 63(2)(bb) substituted (1.3.2007) by National Health Service (Consequential Provisions) Act 2006 (c. 43), s. 8(2), **Sch. 1 para. 38(c)** (with Sch. 3 Pt. 1)
- F27** Words substituted by National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1972 (c. 58), **Sch. 6 para. 135(c)**
- F28** Words substituted by National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978 (c. 29), **Sch. 16 para. 26(2)(a)**
- F29** S. 63(3) repealed by Health and Medicines Act 1988 (c. 49, SIF 113:2), s. 25, **Sch. 3**
- F30** S. 63(4) repealed (E.W.) by National Health Service (Reorganisation) Act 1973 (c. 32), **Sch. 5**, (S.) by National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1972 (c. 58), **Sch. 7 Pt. II**
- F31** S. 63(5A)(5B) inserted (28.6.1995 for specified purposes and otherwise 1.4.1996) by 1995 c. 17, ss. 2(1)(3), 8(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. III para. 95(2)(c)** (with Sch. 2 paras. 6, 16)
- F32** Words in s. 63(5A) inserted (20.8.2002) by S.I. 2002/2202, **art. 4(a)(i)**
- F33** Words in s. 63(5A) omitted (1.4.2007) by virtue of The References to Health Authorities Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/961), art. 1(1), **Sch. para. 6(2)(c)**
- F34** Words in s. 63(5A) substituted (1.4.2000 for E. and otherwise prosp.) by 1999 c. 8, ss. 65, 67(2), **Sch. 4 para. 3(b)**; S.I. 1999/2342, **art. 2(3)(a)**
- F35** Words in s. 63(5A) substituted (10.10.2002 for W., 1.3.2007 in so far as not already in force, immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 comes into force) by National Health

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- Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), s. 42(3), **Sch. 5 para. 2(3)**; S.I. 2002/2532, art. 2, Sch.; S.I. 2006/1407, art. 1(1), Sch. 1 para. 12 (with art. 4)
- F36** Words in s. 63(5A) inserted (20.8.2002) by S.I. 2002/2202, **art. 4(a)(ii)**
- F37** Words in s. 63(5A) substituted (1.3.2007) by National Health Service (Consequential Provisions) Act 2006 (c. 43), s. 8(2), **Sch. 1 para. 38(d)** (with Sch. 3 Pt. 1)
- F38** S. 63(5B)(za) inserted (20.8.2002) by S.I. 2002/2202, **art. 4(b)**
- F39** S. 63(5B)(a) omitted (1.4.2007) by virtue of The References to Health Authorities Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/961), art. 1(1), **Sch. para. 6(2)(d)**
- F40** S. 63(5B)(bb) inserted (1.4.2000 for E. and otherwise prosp.) by 1999 c. 8, ss. 65, 67(2), **Sch. 4 para. 3(c)**; S.I. 1999/2342, **art. 2(3)(a)**
- F41** Word in s. 63(5B)(bb) repealed (10.10.2002 for W., 1.3.2007 in so far as not already in force, immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 comes into force) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), s. 42(3), Sch. 5 para. 2(4), **Sch. 9 Pt. 1**; S.I. 2002/2532, art. 2, Sch.; S.I. 2006/1407, art. 1(1), Sch. 1 para. 12 (with art. 4)
- F42** S. 63(5B)(bbb) inserted (10.10.2002 for W., 1.3.2007 in so far as not already in force, immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 comes into force) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), s. 42(3), **Sch. 5 para. 2(4)**; S.I. 2002/2532, art. 2, Sch.; S.I. 2006/1407, art. 1(1), Sch. 1 para. 12 (with art. 4)
- F43** Word in s. 63(5B)(bbb) repealed (1.4.2004) by Health and Social Care (Community Health and Standards) Act 2003 (c. 43), s. 199(1)(4), Sch. 4 para. 14, **Sch. 14 Pt. 1**; S.I. 2004/759, art. 2
- F44** S. 63(5B)(d) inserted (1.4.2004) by Health and Social Care (Community Health and Standards) Act 2003 (c. 43), s. 199(1)(4), **Sch. 4 para. 14**; S.I. 2004/759, art. 2
- F45** Words inserted by Health and Medicines Act 1988 (c. 49, SIF 113:2), **s. 20(a)**
- F46** Ss. 63(7), 67 repealed (E.W.) by National Health Service Reorganisation Act 1973 (c. 32), **Sch. 5**, (S.) by National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1972 (c. 58), **Sch. 7 Pt. II**
- F47** Words repealed by National Health Service Reorganisation Act 1973 (c. 32), **Sch. 5**
- F48** Words in s. 63(8) substituted (1.3.2007) by National Health Service (Consequential Provisions) Act 2006 (c. 43), s. 8(2), **Sch. 1 para. 38(e)(i)** (with Sch. 3 Pt. 1)
- F49** Words substituted by Health and Medicines Act 1988 (c. 49, SIF 113:2), **s. 20(b)**
- F50** Words in s. 63(8) substituted (1.4.2005 for E., 1.4.2006 for W.) by Children Act 2004 (c. 31), **ss. 55(3), 67(7)(e)**; S.I. 2005/394, **art. 2(2)(f)**; S.I. 2006/885, **art. 2(2)(f)**
- F51** Words substituted by National Health Service Act 1977 (c. 49), **Sch. 15**, para. 45(2)(b)
- F52** Words in s. 63(8) substituted (1.3.2007) by National Health Service (Consequential Provisions) Act 2006 (c. 43), s. 8(2), **Sch. 1 para. 38(e)(ii)** (with Sch. 3 Pt. 1)
- F53** Words repealed by National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978 (c. 29), **Sch. 17**
- F54** Words substituted by National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978 (c. 29), **Sch. 16 para. 26(2)(b)**
- F55** Words substituted by National Health Service Act 1977 (c. 49), **Sch. 15 para. 45(2)(c)**
- F56** Words in s. 63(8) substituted (1.3.2007) by National Health Service (Consequential Provisions) Act 2006 (c. 43), s. 8(2), **Sch. 1 para. 38(e)(iii)** (with Sch. 3 Pt. 1)
- F57** S. 63(8A) inserted (28.6.1995 for specified purposes and otherwise 1.4.1996) by 1995 c. 17, ss. 2(1)(3), 8(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. III para. 95(2)(d)** (with Sch. 2 paras. 6, 16)
- F58** Words in s. 63(8A) substituted (1.3.2007) by National Health Service (Consequential Provisions) Act 2006 (c. 43), s. 8(2), **Sch. 1 para. 38(f)** (with Sch. 3 Pt. 1)
- F59** Words repealed by National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1972 (c. 58), **Sch. 7 Pt. II**

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** References to the Minister of Health in this section (except in s. 63(9)) have been replaced by references to the Secretary of State
- C2** S. 63(1)(5)(6): functions of local authority not to be responsibility of an executive of the authority (1.4.2000) by virtue on S.I. 2000/695, reg. 3(2)(a), **Sch. 1**
- C3** S. 63(1)(5)(6) transfer of functions (E.) (1.4.2001) by S.I. 2001/747, reg. 2(1), **Sch. 1** (with regs. 3, 4)
- C4** S. 63(1) modified as to exercise of functions of a Health Authority (E.) (1.4.2001) by S.I. 2001/747, **regs. 5(5), 6(4)**

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- M4 1978 c. 29.
- M5 1947 c. 27.
- M6 1970 c.42.
- M7 1948 c. 29
- M8 1978 c. 29.

### [<sup>F60</sup>64] **Financial assistance by the Minister of Health and the Secretary of State to certain voluntary organisations.**

- (1) [<sup>F61</sup>The Secretary of State] may, upon such terms and subject to such conditions as he may, with the approval of the Treasury, determine, give to a voluntary organisation to which this section applies assistance by way of grant or by way of loan, or partly in the one way and partly in the other.
- (2) This section applies to a voluntary organisation whose activities consist in, or include, the provision of a service similar to a relevant service, the promotion of the provision of a relevant service or a similar one, the publicising of a relevant service or a similar one or the giving of advice with respect to the manner in which a relevant service or a similar one can best be provided.

(3) In this section—

- [ “the relevant enactments” means—
- <sup>F62</sup>(a) (i) Parts III and IV of the <sup>M9</sup>Children and Young Persons Act 1933,  
<sup>F63</sup>(ii) .....  
(iii) Part III of the <sup>M10</sup>National Assistance Act 1948,  
<sup>F64</sup>(iv) .....  
<sup>F65</sup>(v) .....  
<sup>F66</sup>(vi) .....  
<sup>F66</sup>(vii) .....  
(viii) section 10 of the Mental Health Act 1959, so far as it relates to cases mentioned in paragraph (a) of that section,  
<sup>F66</sup>(ix) .....  
(x) the <sup>M11</sup>Children and Young Persons Act 1963, except Part II and section 56,  
(xi) this Act,  
<sup>F67</sup>(xii) .....  
(xiii) section 7(4) of the <sup>M12</sup>Family Law Reform Act 1969,  
(xiv) the <sup>M13</sup>Children and Young Persons Act 1969, <sup>F68</sup> ...  
<sup>F66</sup>(xv) .....  
<sup>F69</sup>(xvi) .....  
(xvii) the <sup>M14</sup>Children Act 1975  
<sup>F70</sup>(xviii) the Adoption and Children Act 2002],  
<sup>F71</sup>(xviii) the National Health Service Act 2006 and the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006],  
[ the Children Act 1989],  
<sup>F72</sup>(xx)  
[ sections 63 to 66 and 92 of, and Schedules 6 and 7 to, the Powers of  
<sup>F73</sup>(xxi) Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000;]]

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- (b) “relevant service” means a service which must or may, by virtue of the relevant enactments, be provided or the provision of which must or may, by virtue of those enactments, be secured by [<sup>F74</sup>the Secretary of State] or the council of a [<sup>F75</sup>non-metropolitan county, [<sup>F76</sup>county borough] metropolitan district] or London borough or the Common Council of the City of London or a service for the provision of which [<sup>F77</sup>a [<sup>F78</sup>Primary Care Trust or][<sup>F79</sup>Local Health Board] are, by virtue of [<sup>F80</sup>Chapter 1 of Part 7 of the National Health Service Act 2006, or Part 6 of, or Chapter 1 of Part 7 of, the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006],] under a duty to make arrangements [<sup>F81</sup>or any service which a Primary Care Trust or Local Health Board is under a duty to provide under section 16CA or 16CC of that Act]; and
- (c) “voluntary organisation” means a body the activities of which are carried on otherwise than for profit, but does not include any public or local authority.
- (4) This section shall have effect in Scotland as if, in subsection (1) thereof, for the reference to the Minister of Health, there were substituted a reference to the Secretary of State; and as if, in subsection (3) thereof, for paragraphs (a) and (b), there were substituted the following paragraphs:—
- “(a) “the relevant enactments” means <sup>F82</sup>... , Part III of the National Assistance Act 1948 and Part I of this Act and section 45 thereof [<sup>F83</sup>and the National Health Service Scotland Act [<sup>F84</sup>1978]];
- (b) “relevant service” means a service which must or may, by virtue of the relevant enactments, be provided or the provision of which must or may, by virtue of those enactments, be secured by the Secretary of State or by a county council or by the town council of a large burgh; or a service for the provision of which [<sup>F85</sup>a Health Board] is, by virtue of Part [<sup>F86</sup>II] of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act [<sup>F86</sup>1978] under a duty to make arrangements [<sup>F87</sup>or any service which a Health Board is under a duty to provide under section 2C of that Act]; and”]

#### Textual Amendments

- F60** S. 64 repealed so far as it relates to (S.) by Health and Social Services and Social Security Adjudications Act 1983 (c. 41, SIF 113:3), s. 3, **Sch. 10 Pt. I**
- F61** Words substituted by virtue of S.I. 1968/1699, **arts. 2, 5(4)(a)**
- F62** S. 64(3)(a) substituted by Children Act 1975 (c. 72), **Sch. 3 para. 46**
- F63** S. 64(3)(a)(ii) repealed by National Health Service Act 1977 (c. 49) Sch. 16
- F64** S. 64(3)(a)(iv) repealed by Child Care Act 1980 (c.5, SIF 20), s. 89, **Sch. 6**
- F65** S. 64(3)(a)(v) repealed by Adoption Act 1976 (c. 36), s. 74(2), **Sch. 4**
- F66** S. 64(3)(a)(vi)(vii)(ix)(xv) repealed (E.W.) (14. 10. 1991) by Children Act 1989 (c. 41, SIF 20), s. 108(6)(7), **Sch. 15**, (with Sch. 14 paras. 1(1), 27(4)); S.I. 1991/828, **art. 3(2)**.
- F67** S. 64(3)(a)(xii) repealed by Adoption Act 1976 (c. 36), s. 74(2), **Sch. 4**
- F68** Words repealed by Child Care Act 1980 (c. 5, SIF 20), s. 89, **Sch. 6**
- F69** S. 64(3)(a)(xvi) repealed by National Health Service Act 1977 (c. 49), **Sch. 16**
- F70** S. 64(3)(a)(xviii) substituted (30.12.2005) by Adoption and Children Act 2002 (c. 38), s. 148(1), **Sch. 3 para. 10** (with Sch. 4 paras. 6-8); S.I. 2005/2213, **art. 2(o)**
- F71** Words in s. 64(3)(a) substituted (1.3.2007) by National Health Service (Consequential Provisions) Act 2006 (c. 43), s. 8(2), **Sch. 1 para. 39(a)** (with Sch. 3 Pt. 1)
- F72** S. 64(3)(a)(xx) substituted (E.W.) (14. 10. 1991) for s. 64(3)(a)(xix) (which was added (E.W.) by Child Care Act 1980 (c. 5, SIF 20), s. 89, **Sch. 5 para. 19**), by Children Act 1989 (c. 41, SIF 20), s. 108(5)(6), **Sch. 13 para. 17(1)**, (with Sch. 14 para. 1(1)); S.I. 1991/828, **art. 3(2)**.
- F73** S. 64(3)(a)(xxi) inserted (25.8.2000) by 2000 c. 6, ss. 165(1), 168(1), **Sch. 9 para. 32**



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- F74** Words substituted by virtue of S.I. 1968/1699, **arts. 2, 5(4)(a)**
- F75** Words substituted by National Health Service Reorganisation Act 1973 (c. 32, SIF 113:2), s. 57, **Sch. 4 para. 125(2)**
- F76** Words in s. 64(3)(b) inserted (1.4.1996) by 1994 c. 19, s. 22(4), **Sch. 10 para. 5(2)** (with ss. 54(5)(7), 55(5), Sch. 17 para. 22(1), 23(2)); S.I. 1996/396, art. 3, **Sch. 1**
- F77** Words in s. 64(3)(b) substituted (28.6.1995 for specified purposes and otherwise 1.4.1996) by 1995 c. 17, ss. 2(1)(3), 8(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. III**, para. 95(3)
- F78** Words in s. 64(3)(b) inserted (1.10.2002) by 2002 c. 17, ss. 2(5), **Sch. 2 Pt. 2 para. 40(3)**; S.I. 2002/2478, **art. 3(1)(d)** (subject to arts 3(3) and 4)
- F79** Words in s. 64(3)(b) substituted (1.4.2007) by The References to Health Authorities Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/961), art. 1(1), **Sch. para. 6(3)**
- F80** Words in s. 64(3)(b) substituted (1.3.2007) by National Health Service (Consequential Provisions) Act 2006 (c. 43), s. 8(2), **Sch. 1 para. 39(b)** (with Sch. 3 Pt. 1)
- F81** Words in s. 64(3)(b) inserted (1.4.2004) by Health and Social Care (Community Health and Standards) Act 2003 (c. 43), s. 199(1)(4), **Sch. 11 para. 5**; S.I. 2004/288, art. 5(2)(d) (with art. 7) (as amended by S.I. 2004/866 and S.I. 2005/2925); S.I. 2004/480, art. 4(2)(d) (with art. 6) (as amended by S.I. 2004/1019 and S.I. 2006/345); S.I. 2004/288, art. 5(2)(d) (with art. 7) (as amended by S.I. 2004/866 and S.I. 2005/2925); S.I. 2004/480, art. 4(2)(d) (with art. 6) (as amended by S.I. 2004/1019 and S.I. 2006/345)
- F82** Words repealed by National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978 (c. 29), **Sch. 17**
- F83** Words added by National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1972 (c. 58), **Sch. 6 para. 136(a)**
- F84** Word substituted by National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978 (c. 29), **Sch. 16 para. 27(a)**
- F85** Words substituted by National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1972 (c. 58), **Sch. 6 para. 136(b)**
- F86** Words substituted by National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978 (c. 29), **Sch. 16 para. 27(b)**
- F87** Words in s. 64(4) inserted (1.4.2004) by The Primary Medical Services (Scotland) Act 2004 (Consequential Modifications) Order 2004 (S.I. 2004/957), art. 1, **Sch. para. 1(4)**

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C5** S. 64(1): functions of local authority not to be responsibility of an executive of the authority (1.4.2000) by virtue of S.I. 2000/695, reg. 3(2)(a), **Sch. 1**  
S. 64(1): transfer of functions (E.) (1.4.2001) by S.I. 2001/747, regs. 2(1), **Sch. 1** (with regs. 3, 4)
- C6** The references to the Minister of Health in s. 64(1)(3)(b) have been replaced by references to the Secretary of State

#### Marginal Citations

- M9** 1933 c. 12.  
**M10** 1948 c. 29.  
**M11** 1963 c. 37.  
**M12** 1969 c. 46.  
**M13** 1969 c. 54.  
**M14** 1975 c. 72.

## 65 Financial and other assistance by local authorities to certain voluntary organisations.

- (1) A local authority may give assistance by way of grant or by way of loan, or partly in the one way and partly in the other, to a voluntary organisation whose activities consist in, or include, the provision of a service similar to a relevant service, the promotion of the provision of a relevant service or a similar one, the publicising of a relevant service or a similar one or the giving of advice with respect to the manner in which a relevant service or a similar one can best be provided, . . . <sup>F88</sup>.

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- (2) A local authority may also assist any such voluntary organisation as aforesaid by permitting them to use premises belonging to the authority on such terms as may be agreed, and by making available furniture, vehicles or equipment (whether by way of gift, or loan or otherwise) and the services of any staff who are employed by the authority in connection with the premises or other things which they permit the organisation to use, . . . <sup>F89</sup>
- (3) In this section—
- (a) “local authority” (except where used in the expression “public or local authority”) means the council of a county, [<sup>F90</sup>other than a metropolitan county, or of a [<sup>F91</sup>county borough,] metropolitan district] or London borough or the Common Council of the City of London;
- [<sup>F92</sup>(b) “the relevant enactments” means—
- (i) Parts III and IV of the <sup>M15</sup>Children and Young Persons Act 1933,
- <sup>F93</sup>(ii) . . . . .
- (iii) Part III of the <sup>M16</sup>National Assistance Act 1948,
- <sup>F94</sup>(iv) . . . . .
- (v) the <sup>M17</sup>Adoption Act 1958,
- (vi) section 3 of the <sup>M18</sup>Disabled Persons (Employment) Act 1958, [ the <sup>M19</sup>Children Act 1958,]
- <sup>F95</sup>(vii) [ section 9 of the <sup>M20</sup>Mental Health Act 1959,]
- <sup>F96</sup>(viii) (ix) section 10 of the Mental Health Act 1959, so far as it relates to cases mentioned in paragraph (a) of that section, [ section 9 of the <sup>M21</sup>Domestic Proceedings and Magistrates’ Courts Act <sup>F97</sup>(x) 1978],
- (xi) the <sup>M22</sup>Children and Young Persons Act 1963, except Part II and section 56,
- (xii) this Act,
- (xiii) the <sup>M23</sup>Adoption Act 1968,
- (xiv) section 7(4) of the <sup>M24</sup>Family Law Reform Act 1969,
- (xv) the <sup>M25</sup>Children and Young Persons Act 1969,
- (xvi) section 43 of the <sup>M26</sup>Matrimonial Causes Act 1973,
- <sup>F98</sup>(xvii) . . . . .
- (xviii) the <sup>M27</sup>Children Act 1975, [ [<sup>F100</sup>the Adoption and Children Act 2002]],
- <sup>F99</sup>(xix) [ [<sup>F102</sup>the National Health Service Act 2006 and the National Health <sup>F101</sup>(xix) Service (Wales) Act 2006]], [ the Children Act 1989],
- <sup>F103</sup>(xxi) [ sections 63 to 66 of, and Schedules 6 and 7 to, the Powers of Criminal <sup>F104</sup>(xxii) Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000;]]
- (c) “relevant service” means a service the provision of which must or may, by virtue of the relevant enactments, be secured by a local authority; and
- (d) “voluntary organisation” means a body the activities of which are carried on otherwise than for profit, but does not include any public or local authority.

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- (4) The foregoing provisions of this section shall have effect in place of the following provisions authorising the giving of assistance to voluntary organisations, namely, sections 22(5) and 28(3) and (so far as it relates to such organisations) section 63 of the <sup>M28</sup>National Health Service Act 1946, sections 26(6) and 30(2) of the <sup>M29</sup>National Assistance Act 1948, sections 45(4) and 46(3) of the <sup>M30</sup>London Government Act 1963 and, except in so far as it applies to the councils of county districts, section 31(3) of the National Assistance Act 1948.
- (5) Subsection (1) of section 46 of the <sup>M31</sup>Local Government Act 1958 shall have effect as if the functions of councils of counties which may, under schemes made under that section, be exercisable by the councils of county districts, included functions under this section of the first mentioned councils.
- (6) This section (except in so far as it relates to the Greater London Council) shall have effect in Scotland as if for subsections (3), (4) and (5) thereof, there were substituted the following subsections:—

“(2A) Without prejudice to the powers conferred on local authorities by the foregoing provisions of this section, a [<sup>F105</sup>local authority] may assist any voluntary organisation whose activities consist in or include the provision of meals or recreation for old people to provide such meals or such recreation by contributing to the funds of the organisation, by permitting them to use premises belonging to the [<sup>F105</sup>local authority] on such terms as may be agreed, and by making available furniture, vehicles or equipment (whether by way of gift or loan or otherwise) and the services of any staff who are employed by the [<sup>F105</sup>local authority] in connection with the premises or other things which they permit the organisation to use.

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(2B) In this section—

- (a) “local authority” (except where used in the expression “public or local authority”) means, [<sup>F107</sup>the [<sup>F108</sup>council constituted under section 2 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994]];
- <sup>F109</sup>(b) .....
- <sup>F110</sup>(c) “the relevant enactments” means the National Health Service (Scotland) Acts [<sup>F111</sup>1978], Part III of the National Assistance Act 1948 and section 3 of the Disabled Persons (Employment) Act 1958;]
- (d) “relevant service” means a service the provision of which must or may, by virtue of the relevant enactments, be secured by a local authority; and
- (e) “voluntary organisation” means a body the activities of which are carried on otherwise than for profit, but does not include any public or local authority.

(2C) This section shall have effect in place of the following provisions authorising the giving of assistance to voluntary organisations, namely, sections 22(3) and 27(3) and (so far as it authorises local health authorities to give assistance to such organisations) section 63 of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1947, and section 26(6), 30(2) and 31(3) of the National Assistance Act 1948”

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### Textual Amendments

- F88** Words repealed by [Local Government Act 1985](#) (c. 51, SIF 81:1), s. 102, **Sch. 17**
- F89** Words repealed by [National Health Service Reorganisation Act 1973](#) (c. 32), **Sch. 5**
- F90** Words substituted by [Local Government Act 1972](#) (c. 70), **Sch. 23 para. 15(4)**
- F91** Words in s. 65(3)(a) inserted (1.4.1996) by 1994 c. 19, s. 22(4), **Sch. 10 para. 5(3)** (with ss. 54(5)(7), 55(5), [Sch. 17 paras. 22\(12\), 23\(2\)](#)); S.I. 1996/396, art. 3, **Sch. 1**
- F92** s. 65(3)(b) substituted by [Children Act 1975](#) (c. 72), **Sch. 3 para. 47**
- F93** S. 65(3)(b)(ii) repealed by [National Health Service Act 1977](#) (c. 49), **Sch. 16**
- F94** S. 65(3)(b)(iv) repealed by [Child Care Act 1980](#) (c. 5, SIF 20), s. 89, **Sch. 6**
- F95** S. 65(3)(b)(vii) which was substituted (E.W.) by [Foster Children Act 1980](#) (c. 6, SIF 20), s. 23(2), **Sch. 2 Pt. 1** was repealed (E.W.) (14. 10. 1991) by [Children Act 1989](#) (c. 41, SIF 20), s. 108(6)(7), **Sch. 15** (with [Sch. 14 paras. 1\(1\), 27\(4\)](#)); S.I. 1991/828, **art. 3(2)**; the [Children Act 1958](#) was repealed (S.) by [Foster Children \(Scotland\) Act 1984](#) c. 56, s. 22, **Sch. 3** and the reference to the [Children Act 1958](#) should be construed in accordance with the [Interpretation Act 1978](#) (c. 30, SIF 115:1), **s. 17(2)(a)**.
- F96** S. 65(3)(b)(viii)(x) repealed (E.W.) (14. 10. 1991) by [Children Act 1989](#) (c. 41, SIF 20), s. 108(6)(7), **Sch. 15** (with [Sch. 14 paras. 1\(1\), 27\(4\)](#)); S.I. 1991/828, **art. 3(2)**.
- F97** S. 65(3)(b)(x) substituted by [Domestic Proceedings and Magistrates' Courts Act 1978](#) (c. 22), s. 89, **Sch. 2 para. 23**
- F98** S. 65(3)(b)(xvii) repealed by [National Health Service Act 1977](#) (c. 49), **Sch. 16**
- F99** S. 65(3)(b)(xix) added by [Adoption Act 1976](#) (c. 36), s. 74(2), **Sch. 3 Pt. 1 para. 10**
- F100** Words in s. 65(3)(b) substituted (30.12.2005) by [Adoption and Children Act 2002](#) (c. 38), s. 148(1), **Sch. 3 para. 11** (with [Sch. 4 paras. 6-8](#)); S.I. 2005/2213, art. 2(o)
- F101** S. 65(3)(b)(xix) added by [National Health Service Act 1977](#) (c. 49), **Sch. 15**
- F102** Words in s. 65(3)(b) substituted (1.3.2007) by [National Health Service \(Consequential Provisions\) Act 2006](#) (c. 43), s. 8(2), **Sch. 1 para. 40** (with [Sch. 3 Pt. 1](#))
- F103** S. 65(3)(b)(xxi) substituted (E.W.) (14. 10. 1991) for s. 65(3)(b)(xx) (which was added (E.W.) by [Child Care Act 1980](#) (c. 5, SIF 20), s. 89, **Sch. 5 para. 20**), by [Children Act 1989](#) (c. 41, SIF 20), s. 108(5)(6), [Sch. 13 para. 17\(2\)](#) (with **Sch. 14 para. 1(1)**); S.I. 1991/828, **art. 3(2)**.
- F104** S. 65(3)(b)(xxii) inserted (25.8.2000) by 2000 c. 6, ss. 165(1), 168(1), **Sch. 9 para. 33**
- F105** S. 65(6): words in substituted subsection (2A) substituted (S.) (1.4.1996) by virtue of 1994 c. 39, s. 180(1), **Sch. 13 para. 74(3)(a)**; S.I. 1996/323, **art. 4(1)(c)**
- F106** Para. repealed by [Local Government \(Scotland\) Act 1973](#) (c. 65), **Sch. 29**
- F107** Words substituted by [Local Government \(Scotland\) Act 1973](#) (c. 65) [Sch. 27 Pt. II para. 175\(b\)](#)
- F108** S. 65(6): words in substituted subsection (2B)(a) substituted (S.) (1.4.1996) by virtue of 1994 c. 39, s. 180(1), **Sch. 13 para. 74(3)(b)**; S.I. 1996/323, **art. 4(1)(c)**
- F109** S. 65(6)(2B)(b) repealed by [Local Government \(Scotland\) Act 1973](#) (c. 65) [Sch. 29](#)
- F110** S. 65(6)(2B)(c) substituted by [National Health Service \(Scotland\) Act 1972](#) (c. 58), **Sch. 6 para. 137**
- F111** Words substituted by [National Health Service \(Scotland\) Act 1978](#) (c. 29), **Sch. 16 para. 28**

### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C7** S. 65 restricted (S.) by [Social Work \(Scotland\) Act 1968](#) (c. 49), **s. 10(5)**

### Marginal Citations

- M15** 1933 c. 12.
- M16** 1948 c. 29.
- M17** 1958 c. 5 (7 & 8 Eliz. 2).
- M18** 1958 c. 33 (6 & 7 Eliz. 2).
- M19** 1958 c. 65
- M20** 1959 c. 72.
- M21** 1978 c. 22.
- M22** 1963 c. 37.

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- M23** 1968 c. 53.
- M24** 1969 c. 46.
- M25** 1969 c. 54.
- M26** 1973 c. 18.
- M27** 1975 c. 72.
- M28** 1946 c. 81.
- M29** 1948 c. 29.
- M30** 1963 c. 33.
- M31** 1958 c. 55.

**66 Payments in respect of travelling expenses of visitors to patients in special hospitals and State hospitals.**

- (1) [<sup>F112</sup>The Secretary of State] may, in accordance with arrangements made by him with the approval of the Treasury, make payments, at such rates as may be determined under those arrangements, to persons of such class or description as may be so determined in respect of travelling expenses necessarily incurred by them in making visits to patients for the time being detained under the Mental Health Act 1959 in [<sup>F113</sup>hospitals at which high security psychiatric services are provided].
- (2) The foregoing subsection shall have effect in Scotland, as if, for the references therein to the Minister of Health, the <sup>M32</sup>Mental Health Act 1959 and [<sup>F113</sup>hospitals at which high security psychiatric services are provided], there were substituted references respectively to the Secretary of State, the <sup>M33</sup>Mental Health (Scotland) Act 1960 and State hospitals.

**Textual Amendments**

**F112** Words substituted by virtue of S.I. 1968/1699, **arts. 2, 5(4)(a)**

**F113** Words in s. 66(1)(2) substituted (1.4.2000) by S.I. 2000/90, **art. 3(2), Sch. 2 para. 2** (with **art. 2(5)**)

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C8** The reference to the Minister of Health in s. 66(1) has been replaced by a reference to the Secretary of State

**Marginal Citations**

**M32** 1959 c. 72.

**M33** 1960 c. 61.

**67** ..... <sup>F114</sup>

**Textual Amendments**

**F114** Ss. 63(7), 67 repealed (S.) by National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1972 (c. 58), **Sch. 7 Pt. II** and (E.W.) by National Health Service Reorganisation Act 1973 (c. 32), **Sch. 5**

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