



Welfare Reform Act 2007

2007 CHAPTER 5

PART 4

MISCELLANEOUS

Other

62 Medical examinations

- (1) The Social Security Act 1998 (c. 14) is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 19 (medical examination required by Secretary of State), in subsections (1) and (2)(b), for “medical practitioner” substitute “health care professional approved by the Secretary of State”.
- (3) In section 20 (medical examination required by appeal tribunal), in subsection (2), for “medical practitioner” substitute “health care professional approved by the Secretary of State”.
- (4) In that section, after subsection (2), insert—

“(2A) The power under subsection (2) to refer a person to a health care professional approved by the Secretary of State includes power to specify the description of health care professional to whom the person is to be referred.”
- (5) In section 39 (interpretation), in subsection (1), after the definition of “Commissioner” insert—

““health care professional” means—

 - (a) a registered medical practitioner,
 - (b) a registered nurse,
 - (c) an occupational therapist or physiotherapist registered with a regulatory body established by an Order in Council under section 60 of the Health Act 1999, or

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (d) a member of such other profession regulated by a body mentioned in section 25(3) of the National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 as the Secretary of State may prescribe;”.