



Health and Care Act 2022

2022 CHAPTER 31

PART 6

MISCELLANEOUS

Disputes about treatment of critically ill children

177 Review into disputes relating to treatment of critically ill children

- (1) The Secretary of State must arrange for the carrying out of a review into the causes of disputes between (on the one hand) persons with parental responsibility for a critically ill child and (on the other) persons responsible for the provision of care or medical treatment for the child as part of the health service in England.
- (2) The Secretary of State must publish and lay before Parliament a report on the outcome of the review, within one year beginning with the date on which this section comes into force.
- (3) In this section—
 - “child” means a person aged under 18;
 - “health service in England” means the health service continued under section 1(1) of the National Health Service Act 2006;
 - “parental responsibility” has the meaning given by section 3 of the Children Act 1989.

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 177 not in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 186\(6\)](#)
- I2** [S. 177](#) in force at 1.10.2022 by [S.I. 2022/1003](#), [reg. 2\(d\)](#)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Health and Care Act 2022, Cross
Heading: Disputes about treatment of critically ill children.