



Medical Act 1858

1858 CHAPTER 90 21 and 22 Vict

An Act to regulate the Qualifications of Practitioners in Medicine and Surgery. [2nd August 1858]

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 Act amended by [Medical Act 1860 \(c. 66\), s. 2](#)
- C2 Preamble omitted under authority of [Statute Law Revision Act 1892 \(c. 19\)](#)
- C3 This Act is not necessarily in the form in which it has effect in Northern Ireland

1 Short title.

This Act may for all purposes be cited as “The Medical Act.”

2—46. F1

Textual Amendments

- F1 Ss. 2—46 repealed by [Medical Act 1956 \(c. 76\), Sch. 5](#)

47 New charter may be granted to the College of Physicians of London. 14 & 15 Hen. 8 c. 5.

It shall be lawful for Her Majesty to grant to the corporation of the Royal College of Physicians of London a new charter, and thereby to give to such corporation the name of “The Royal College of Physicians of England,” and to make such alterations in the constitution of the same corporation as to Her Majesty may seem expedient; and it shall be lawful for the said corporation to accept such charter under their common seal, and such acceptance shall operate as a surrender of all charters heretofore granted to the said corporation, except the charter granted by King Henry the Eighth, and shall also operate as a surrender of such charter and of any rights, powers, or privileges conferred by or enjoyed under an Act of the session holden in the fourteenth and

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fifteenth years of King Henry the Eighth, chapter five, confirming the same, as far as such charter and Act respectively may be inconsistent with such new charter: Provided nevertheless, that within twelve months after the granting of such charter to the College of Physicians of London, any fellow, member, or licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh, or of the Queen's College of Physicians of Ireland who may be in practice as a physician in any part of England, and who may be desirous of becoming a member of such College of Physicians of England, shall be at liberty to do so, and be entitled to receive the diploma of the said college, and to be admitted to all the rights and privileges thereunto appertaining, on the payment of a registration fee of two pounds to the said college.

48–51 F2

Textual Amendments

F2 Ss. 48–51 repealed by [Statute Law \(Repeals\) Act 1986 \(c. 12\), s. 1\(1\)](#), [Sch. 1 Pt. VIII](#)

52 Charters not to contain new restrictions in the practice of medicine or surgery.

Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall extend to authorize Her Majesty to create any new restriction in the practice of medicine or surgery, or to grant to any of the said corporations any powers or privileges contrary to the common law of the land or to the provisions of this Act, and that no such new charter shall in anywise prejudice, affect, or annul any of the existing statutes or byelaws of the corporations to which the same shall be granted, further than shall be necessary for giving full effect to the alterations which shall be intended to be effected by such new charters and by this Act in the constitution of such corporation.

53 F3

Textual Amendments

F3 S. 53 repealed by [Statute Law \(Repeals\) Act 1977 \(c. 18\)](#), [Sch. 1 Pt. XVII](#)

54 F4

Textual Amendments

F4 S. 54 repealed by [Medical Act 1950 \(c. 29\), s. 23\(6\)](#)

55 F5

Textual Amendments

F5 S. 55 and Sch. A repealed by [Medical Act 1956 \(c. 76\), Sch. 5](#)

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SCHEDULE

A.
F6

Textual Amendments

F6 [S. 55](#) and Sch. A repealed by [Medical Act 1956 \(c. 76\)](#), [Sch. 5](#)

SCHEDULE

B.
F7

Textual Amendments

F7 [Sch. B](#) repealed by [Statute Law Revision Act 1875 \(c. 66\)](#)

SCHEDULE

D.
F8

Textual Amendments

F8 [Sch. D](#) repealed by [Medical Act 1956 \(c. 76\)](#), [Sch. 5](#)

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