STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2004 No. 1947

HEALTH CARE AND ASSOCIATED PROFESSIONS

The European Qualifications (Health and Social Care Professions and Accession of New Member States) Regulations 2004

Made - - - - 21st July 2004
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The Secretary of State for Health, being a Minister designated for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 M1 in relation to measures relating to access to, the training for, the pursuit of, and the award of qualifications in the professions of dentistry, medicine, midwifery, nursing and pharmacy and their specialties M2, in relation to measures relating to access to, the training for, the pursuit of, and the award of qualifications in the profession of social worker M3, and in relation to the recognition of higher-education diplomas, formal qualifications, or experience in the occupation, required for the pursuit of professions or occupations M4, in the exercise of the powers conferred by the said section 2(2) M5, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Marginal Citations

M1 1972 c. 68.

M2 S.I. 1995/3207.

M3 S.I. 2003/2901.

M4 S.I. 2002/248.

The subject matter of section 21 of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978 (requirement of suitable experience for medical practitioners) is not a reserved matter under the Scotland Act 1998 (c. 46). Therefore, as regards Scotland, see section 57(1) of the Scotland Act 1998 which provides that, despite the transfer to the Scotlish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of that Act of functions in relation to observing and implementing Community law, any function of a Minister of the Crown in relation to any matter (including therefore in relation to the subject matter of section 21) shall continue to be exercisable by him as regards Scotland for the purposes specified in section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972.

Citation, commencement and extent

- **1.**—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the European Qualifications (Health and Social Care Professions and Accession of New Member States) Regulations 2004.
 - (2) These Regulations shall come into force on 18th August 2004.
- (3) The extent of any amendment made by these Regulations is the same as that of the enactment amended.

NURSES AND MIDWIVES

The Nursing and Midwifery Order 2001

- 2.—(1) The Nursing and Midwifery Order 2001 M6 is amended in accordance with this regulation.
- (2) In Schedule 4 to the Nursing and Midwifery Order 2001 (interpretation)—
 - (a) in the definition of—
 - (i) "EEA Agreement", insert at the end " and by the Agreement on the participation of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia and the Slovak Republic signed at Luxembourg on 14th October 2003",
 - (ii) "Midwifery Directive", for "and the Swiss Agreement" substitute ", the Swiss Agreement and the Act of Accession 2003", and
 - (iii) "Nursing Directive", for "and the Swiss Agreement" substitute ", the Swiss Agreement and the Act of Accession 2003";
 - (b) insert the following definition at the appropriate place—

""the Act of Accession 2003" means the Act annexed to the Treaty relating to the conditions of accession of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia and the Slovak Republic and the Adjustments to the Treaties on which the European Union is founded signed at Athens on 16th April 2003;".

Marginal Citations

M6 S.I. 2002/253, as amended by S.I. 2003/3148.

DOCTORS

The Medical Act 1983

- **3.**—(1) The Medical Act 1983 M7 is amended in accordance with this regulation.
- (2) In section 3 (registration by virtue of primary United Kingdom or primary European qualifications), in subsection (3), in the definition of "the EEA Agreement", for "and 84/2002 of 25th June 2002", substitute ", 84/2002 of 25th June 2002 and by the Agreement on the participation of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia and the Slovak Republic signed at Luxembourg on 14th October 2003 M8".
- (3) In section 4 (qualifying examinations and primary United Kingdom qualifications), omit subsection (5).

- (4) In section 5 (general functions of the Education Committee in relation to medical education in the United Kingdom), in subsection (4), in the definition of "Directive 93/16/EEC"—
 - (a) in sub-paragraph (b)(ii), omit "and" in the last place it appears; and
 - (b) after sub-paragraph (b)(iii), insert—
 - "(iv) the Act annexed to the Treaty relating to the conditions of accession of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia and the Slovak Republic and the Adjustments to the Treaties on which the European Union is founded signed at Athens on 16th April 2003;".
 - (5) In section 17 (primary qualifications obtained in other EEA States)—
 - (a) in subsection (1), after paragraph (d), insert—
 - "(e) subject to compliance with subsection (4A) below, a qualification which—
 - (i) is evidence of training commenced before the date specified in column (a) of the table in that subsection and undertaken on the territory specified in the corresponding entry in column (b) of that table, or
 - (ii) was awarded by the state or former state specified in column (b) of the table in that subsection before the date specified in the corresponding entry in column (a).";
 - (b) after subsection (4), insert—
 - "(4A) For compliance with this subsection in the case of any qualification—
 - (a) it must be such that the Registrar is satisfied with respect to it (by means of a certificate from the medical authorities of the EEA State specified in the appropriate row of column (c) of the table below) that that qualification has, on its territory, the same legal validity as regards access to and practice of the medical profession as the qualification listed in relation to that State in Schedule 2 to this Act; and
 - (b) evidence of it must be accompanied by a certificate from those authorities stating that the holder has effectively and lawfully been engaged in the activity in question on the territory of that State for at least 3 consecutive years during the 5 years preceding the date of issue of that certificate.

Column (a)	Column (b)	Column (c)
1st January 1993	Former Czechoslovakia	Czech Republic
1st January 1993	Former Czechoslovakia	Slovakia
20th August 1991	Former Soviet Union	Estonia
21st August 1991	Former Soviet Union	Latvia
11th March 1990	Former Soviet Union	Lithuania
25th June 1991	Yugoslavia	Slovenia"

- (c) in subsection (5), for "(4)", substitute "(4A)"; and
- (d) in subsection (6)—
 - (i) omit "and" at the end of paragraph (da), and
 - (ii) after paragraph (da), insert—

- "(db) in the case of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia, 1st May 2004;".
- (6) In the table in Schedule 2 (primary European Qualifications)—
 - (a) in the entry for "Greece", in column 3, for "lατρικής", substitute " "Iατρικής" "; and
 - (b) in the appropriate alphabetical position insert—

"Cyprus	Πιοστοποιητικό Εγγραφής Ιατρού	Ιατρικό Συμβούλιο	
Czech Republic	Diplom o ukončení studia ve studijním programu všeobecné lékařství (doktor medicíny, MUDr.)	Lékářská fakulta univerzity v České republice	Vysvědčení o státní rigorózní zkoušce
Estonia	Diplom arstite aduse õppekava läbimise kohta	Tartu Ülikool	
Hungary	Általános orvos oklevél (doctor medicinae universae, abbrev.: dr.med.univ.)	Egyetem	
Latvia	ārsta diploms	Universitātes tipa augstskola	
Lithuania	Aukštojo moklso diplomas, nurodantis suteiktą gydytojo kvalifikaciją	Universitetas	Internatūros pažymėjimas, nurodantis suteiktą medicinos gydytojo profesinę kvalifikaciją
Malta	Lawrja ta' Tabib tal- Mediĉina u l-Kirurģija	Università ta' Malta	Čertifikat ta' reģistrazzjoni maħruġ mill-Kunsill Mediku
Poland	Dyplom ukończenia studiów wyższych na kierunku lekarskim z tytulem "lekarza"	1. Akademia Medyczna 2. Uniwersytet Medyczny 3. Collegium Medicum Uniwersytetu Jagiellońskiego	Lekarski Egzamin Państwowy
Slovakia	Vysokoškolský diplom o udeleni akademického	Vysoká škola	

titulu "doktor medicíny" ("MUDr.") Slovenia Diploma, s katero se Univerza podeljuje strokovni naslov "doktor medicine/doktorica medicine" **Marginal Citations** 1983 c. 54; as amended by S.I. 1996/1591, 2002/3135 and 2003/3148. There are other amendments to this Act that are not relevant to these Regulations. Cm 6171. The Agreement was presented to Parliament as a Command Paper and it is published by the Stationery Office. DOCTORS—SPECIALISTS AND GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS Performance of functions under Schedule 8 to the General and Specialist Medical Practice (Education, Training and Qualifications) Order 2003 Regs. 4-10 revoked (1.4.2010) by The General and Specialist Medical Practice (Education, Training and Qualifications) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/234), art. 1(3)(4), Sch. 3 Pt. 3; S.I. 2010/478, art. 2(c) General and Specialist Medical Practice (Education, Training and Qualifications) Order 2003 Regs. 4-10 revoked (1.4.2010) by The General and Specialist Medical Practice (Education, Training $\mathbf{F1}$ and Qualifications) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/234), art. 1(3)(4), Sch. 3 Pt. 3; S.I. 2010/478, art. 2(c) Medical Practitioners (Vocational Training) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998 Regs. 4-10 revoked (1.4.2010) by The General and Specialist Medical Practice (Education, Training F1 and Qualifications) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/234), art. 1(3)(4), Sch. 3 Pt. 3; S.I. 2010/478, art. 2(c) The National Health Service (Vocational Training for General Medical Practice) (Scotland) **Regulations 1998**

Regs. 4-10 revoked (1.4.2010) by The General and Specialist Medical Practice (Education, Training and Qualifications) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/234), art. 1(3)(4), Sch. 3 Pt. 3; S.I. 2010/478, art. 2(c)

The N 1997	he National Health Service (Vocational Training for General Medical Practice) Regulations 197			
^{F1} 8.				
F1	Regs. 4-10 revoked (1.4.2010) by The General and Specialist Medical Practice (Education, Training and Qualifications) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/234), art. 1(3)(4), Sch. 3 Pt. 3; S.I. 2010/478, art. 2(c)			
The E	uropean Specialist Medical Qualifications Order 1995			
^{F1} 9.				
F1	Regs. 4-10 revoked (1.4.2010) by The General and Specialist Medical Practice (Education, Training and Qualifications) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/234), art. 1(3)(4), Sch. 3 Pt. 3; S.I. 2010/478, art. 2(c)			
	ocational Training for General Medical Practice (European Requirements) ations 1994			
^{F1} 10).			
F1	Regs. 4-10 revoked (1.4.2010) by The General and Specialist Medical Practice (Education, Training			

DENTISTS

and Qualifications) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/234), art. 1(3)(4), Sch. 3 Pt. 3; S.I. 2010/478, art. 2(c)

The Dentists Act 1984

- 11.—(1) The Dentists Act 1984 M9 is amended in accordance with this regulation.
- (2) In section 15 (qualification for registration in the dentists register), in subsection (7), in the definition of "EEA Agreement", at the end, insert "and by the Agreement on the participation of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia and the Slovak Republic signed at Luxembourg on 14th October 2003".
 - (3) In Schedule 2 (European dental qualifications)—
 - (a) in paragraph 1(1), in the definition of—
 - (i) "Community Council Directive No 78/686/EEC", for "and the Swiss Agreement", substitute ", the Swiss Agreement and the Act of Accession 2003; ",
 - (ii) "the Dental Training Directive", for "and Directive 2001/19/EC", substitute ", Directive 2001/19/EC and the Act of Accession 2003", and
 - (iii) "the implementation date", omit "and" at the end of sub-paragraph (da) and after sub-paragraph (da), insert—
 - "(db) in the case of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia, 1st May 2004;";
 - (b) in paragraph 1(2), after the definition of "the Swiss Agreement" insert— ""the Act of Accession 2003" means the Act annexed to the Treaty relating to the conditions of accession of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia and the Slovak

Republic and the Adjustments to the Treaties on which the European Union is founded signed at Athens on 16th April 2003.";

(c) after paragraph 7, add—

"8.—(1) A diploma in dentistry which—

- (a) is evidence of training that commenced before the date specified in column (a) of the table below in the territory specified in the corresponding entry in column (b) of that table; or
- (b) was awarded by the state (or former state) specified in column (b) of that table before the date specified in the corresponding entry in column (a) of that table,

is an appropriate European diploma for the purposes of section 15(1)(b) of this Act if the holder produces to the registrar the certificates specified in sub-paragraph (2).

- (2) The certificates specified for the purposes of sub-paragraph (1) are—
 - (a) a certificate of the competent authority of the EEA State specified in the corresponding entry in column (c) of the table stating that he has effectively and lawfully practised dentistry in that EEA State for at least three consecutive years during the five years preceding the date of issue of the certificate; and
 - (b) a certificate from the competent authority of that EEA State stating that that diploma has, on its territory, the same legal validity as regards access to and practice of the dental profession as the scheduled European diploma specified in relation to that State.

Column (a)	Column (b)	Column (c)
20th August 1991	Former Soviet Union	Estonia
21st August 1991	Former Soviet Union	Latvia
11th March 1990	Former Soviet Union	Lithuania
25th June 1991	Yugoslavia	Slovenia

- **9.** A diploma in medicine awarded in the Czech Republic or in the former Czechoslovakia which is evidence of university medical training commenced before 1st May 2004 is an appropriate European Diploma for the purposes of section 15(1)(b) of this Act if the holder produces to the registrar a certificate of the competent authority of the Czech Republic certifying that he—
 - (a) has—
 - (i) effectively, lawfully and principally been engaged, in the Czech Republic, in the activities specified in Article 5 of the Dental Training Directive for at least three consecutive years during the five years preceding the date of issue of that certificate, or
 - (ii) successfully completed three years of study which are equivalent to the training referred to in Article 1 of the Dental Training Directive; and
 - (b) is authorised to practise the activities referred to in sub-paragraph (a)(i) under the same conditions as holders of the scheduled European diploma specified in relation to the Czech Republic.

- **10.** A diploma in medicine awarded in Slovakia or in the former Czechoslovakia which is evidence of university medical training commenced before 1st May 2004 is an appropriate European diploma for the purposes of section 15(1)(b) of this Act if the holder produces to the registrar a certificate of the competent authority of Slovakia certifying that he—
 - (a) has—
 - (i) effectively, lawfully and principally been engaged, in Slovakia, in the activities specified in Article 5 of the Dental Training Directive for at least three consecutive years during the five years preceding the date of issue of that certificate, or
 - (ii) successfully completed three years of study which are equivalent to the training referred to in Article 1 of the Dental Training Directive; and
 - (b) is authorised to practise the activities referred to in sub-paragraph (a)(i) under the same conditions as holders of the scheduled European diploma specified in relation to Slovakia."; and
- (d) in Part II (Scheduled European Diplomas), insert in the table in the appropriate alphabetical position—

"Cyprus	Πιστοποιητικό Εγγραφής Οδοντιάτρου	Οδοντιατρικό Συμβούλιο	
Czech Republic	Diplom o ukončení studia ver studijním programu zubní lékařství (doktor zubního lékařství, Dr.med.Dent.	Lékařská fakulta univerzity v České republice	Vysvědčení o státní rigorózní zkoušce
Estonia	Diplom hambaarstiteaduse õppekava läbimise kohta	Tartu Ülikool	
Hungary	Fogorvos oklevél (doctor medicinae dentariae, abbrev.: dr.med.dent.)	Egyetem	
Latvia	Zobārsta diploms	Universitātes tipa augstskola	Rezidenta diploms par zobārsta pēcdiploma izglītības programmas pabeigšanu, ko izsneidz universitātes tipa augstskola un "Sertifikāts"— kompetentas iestādes izsniegts dokuments,

			kas apliecina, ka persona ir nokārtojusi sertifikācijas eksāmenu zobārstniecībā
Lithuania	Aukštojo mokslo diplomas, nurodantis suteiktą gydytojo odontologo kvalifikaciją	Universitetas	Internatūros pažymėjimas, nurodantis suteiktą gydytojo odontologo profesine kvalifikaciją
Malta	Lawrja fil-Kirurģija Dentali	Universita tà Malta'	
Poland	Dyplom ukończenia studiów wyższych z tytulem "lekarz dentysta"	1. Akademia Medyczna, 2. Uniwersytet Medyczny, 3. Collegium Medicum Uniwersytetu Jagiellońskiego	Lekarkso— Dentystyczny Egzamin Państwowy
Slovakia	Vysokoškolsyý diplom o udelení akademického titulu "doktor zubného lekárstva" ("MDDr.")	Vysoká škola	
Slovenia	Diploma, s katero se podeljuje strokovni naslov "doktor dentalne medicine/ doktorica dentalne medicine"	Univerza	Potrdilo o opravljenem strokovnem izpitu za poklic zobozdravnik/ zobozdravnica"

Marginal Citations

1984 c. 24; as amended by S.I. 1996/1496, 1998/811 and 2003/3148. There are other amendments to the Act not relevant to these Regulations.

The European Primary and Specialist Dental Qualifications Regulations 1998

- 12.—(1) The European Primary and Specialist Dental Qualifications Regulations 1998 M10 shall be amended in accordance with this regulation.
 - (2) In regulation 2 (interpretation)—
 - (a) in paragraph (1), in the definition of—

- (i) "EEA agreement", insert at the end " and by the Agreement on the participation of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia and the Slovak Republic signed at Luxembourg on 14th October 2003 MII ",
- (ii) "the Dental Training Directive", for "and Directive 2001/19/EC" substitute ", Directive 2001/19/EC and the Act of Accession 2003; ", and
- (iii) "the Recognition Directive", for "and the Swiss Agreement", substitute ", the Swiss Agreement and the Act of Accession 2003; "; and
- (b) in paragraph (3)—
 - (i) after sub-paragraph (d) insert—
 - "(e) "the Act of Accession 2003" means the Act annexed to the Treaty relating to the conditions of accession of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia and the Slovak Republic and the Adjustments to the Treaties on which the European Union is founded signed at Athens on 16th April 2003.", and
 - (ii) insert the following definition in the appropriate alphabetical position—

""national", in relation to an EEA State, means the same as it does for the purposes of the Community Treaties but does not include a person who by virtue of Article 2 of Protocol No.3 (Channel Islands and Isle of Man) to the Treaty of Accession is not to benefit from Community provisions relating to the free movement of persons and services".

- (3) In regulation 6 (certificates of completion of specialist training), omit paragraph (7).
- (4) In regulation 10 (recognised specialist dental qualifications)—
 - (a) in paragraph (1), after sub-paragraph (d) insert—
 - "(e) a qualification in orthodontics or (as the case may be) oral surgery which—
 - (i) was awarded by, or which relates to training started in, the territory specified in column (a) of the table below before the date specified in the corresponding entry in column (b), and
 - (ii) is accompanied by—
 - (aa) an attestation by the competent authorities of the EEA State specified in the corresponding entry in column (c) to the effect that the qualification has, on its territory, the same legal validity as the qualifications listed in respect of that State in Schedule 1 to this Order as regards the access to and practice of orthodontics or (as the case may be) oral surgery, and
 - (bb) a certificate from the competent authorities of that State which states that the holder has effectively and lawfully practised orthodontics or (as the case may be) oral surgery in that State for at least three consecutive years during the five years prior to the date of issue of that certificate.
 - (b) in paragraph (3)—
 - (i) after sub-paragraph (ca), insert—

- "(cb) 1st May 2004, in the case of a qualification granted in the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia or Slovakia; or"; and
- (ii) omit "or" after sub-paragraph (ca).
- (5) In Schedule 1 (specialist dental qualifications awarded in EEA States other than the United Kingdom in orthodontics and oral surgery)—
 - (a) in Part I (orthodontics)—
 - (i) in the entry for Belgium—
 - (aa) in column 2, for "—", substitute "Bijzondere beroepstitel van tandarts specialist in de orthodontie/Titre professionnel particulier de dentiste spécialiste en orthodontie"; and
 - (bb) in column 3, for "—", substitute "Minister bevoegd voor Volksgezondheit/Ministre de la Santé publique ",
 - (ii) in the entry for Greece, for the last word in column 2, substitute "Oρθοδοντικής" and
 - (iii) in the appropriate alphabetical position insert—

"Cyprus	Πιστοποιητικό Αναγνώρισης του Ειδικού Οδοντιάτρου στην Ορθοδοντική	Οδουτιατρικό Συμβούλιο
Czech Republic		
Estonia	Residentuuri lõputunnistus ortodontia erialal	Tartu Ülikool
Hungary	Fogszabályozás szakorvosa bizonyítvány	Az Egészségügyi, Szociális és Családügyi Miniszteérium illetékes testülete
Latvia	"Sertifikāts"—kompetentas iestādes izsneiegs dokuments, kas apliecina, ka persona ir nokārtojusi sertifikācijas eksāmenu ortodontijā	Latvijas Ārstu beidrība
Lithuania	Rezidentūros pažymėjimas, nurodantis suteiktą gydytojo ortodonto profesineę kvalifikaciją	Universitetas
Malta	Ċertifikat ta' speċjalista dentali fl-Ortodonzja	Kumitat ta' Approvazzjoni dwar Speċjalisti
Poland	Dyplom uzyskania tytulu specjalisty w dziedsinie ortodoncji	Centrum Egzaminów Medycznych

Slovakia		
Slovenia	Potrdilo o opravljenem specialističnem izpitu iz čeljustne in zobne ortopedije	 Ministrstvo za zdravje Zdravniška zbornica Slovenije"
(b) in Part II (ora	l surgery)	
"(i) in the appropria	ate aphabetical position insert—	
Cyprus	Πιστοποιητιό Αναγνώρισης του Ειδικού Οδουτιάτρον στην Στοματική Χειρουργική	Οδοντιατρικό Συμβούλιο
Czech Republic		
Estonia		
Hungary	Dento-alveoláris sebészet szakorvosa bizonyítvány	Az Egészségügyi, Szociális és Családügyi Minisztérium illetékes testülete
Latvia		
Lithuania	Residentūros pažymėjimas, nurodantis suteiktą burnos chirurgo profesinę kvalifikaciją	Universitetas
Malta	Ċertifikat ta' specjalista dentali fil-Kirurģija tal-ħalq	Kumitat ta' Approvazzjoni dwar Speċjalisti
Poland	Dyplom uzyskania tytulu specjalisty w dziedzinie chirurgii stomatologicznej	Centrum Egzaminów Medycznych
Slovakia		
Slovenia	Potrdilo o opravljenem specialisičnem izpitu iz oralne kirurgije	1. Ministrstvo za zdravje 2. Zdravniška zbornica Slovenije

Marginal Citations

M10 S.I. 1998/811, as amended by S.I. 2003/3148.

M11 Cm. 6171.

PHARMACISTS

F2 Reg. 13 omitted (coming into force in accordance with art. 1(2)(3) of the amending Order) by virtue of The Pharmacists and Pharmacy Technicians Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/289), Sch. 1 para. 38

OSTEOPATHS

The General Osteopathic Council (Registration) Rules Order of Council 1998

- **14.**—(1) The Schedule to the General Osteopathic Council (Registration) Rules Order of Council 1998 M12 is amended in accordance with this regulation.
 - (2) In rule 3 (the form of the register), in paragraph (4)—
 - (a) for sub-paragraph (b), substitute—
 - "(b) "European Economic Area State" means a member State, Norway, Liechtenstein, Iceland or Switzerland;"; and
 - (b) omit sub-paragraph (c).

Marginal Citations

M12 S.I. 1998/1328; as amended by S.I. 2003/3148.

The General Osteopathic Council (Application for Registration and Fees) Rules Order of Council 2000

- **15.**—(1) The Schedule to the General Osteopathic Council (Application for Registration and Fees) Rules Order of Council 2000 M13 is amended in accordance with this regulation.
 - (2) In rule 2 (interpretation), in paragraph (1)—
 - (a) for the definition of "European Economic Area State", substitute—"European Economic Area State" means a member State, Norway, Liechtenstein, Iceland or Switzerland;"; and
 - (b) omit the definition of "European Economic Area Agreement".

Marginal Citations

M13 S.I. 2000/1038, as amended by S.I. 2003/3148.

CHIROPRACTORS

The General Chiropractic Council (Registration During Transitional Period) Rules Order of Council 1999

- **16.**—(1) The Schedule to the General Chiropractic Council (Registration During Transitional Period) Rules Order of Council 1999 M14 is amended in accordance with this regulation.
 - (2) In rule 9 (fees), in paragraph (3)—

- (a) for sub-paragraph (a), substitute—
 - "(a) "European Economic Area State" means a member State, Norway, Liechtenstein, Iceland or Switzerland;"; and
- (b) omit sub-paragraph (b).

Marginal Citations

M14 S.I. 1999/1857, as amended by S.I. 2003/3148.

The General Chiropractic Council (Registration) Rules Order of Council 1999

- **17.**—(1) The Schedule to the General Chiropractic Council (Registration) Rules Order of Council 1999 MIS is amended in accordance with this regulation.
 - (2) In Schedule 2 to the Rules (fees), in paragraph 6—
 - (a) for sub-paragraph (a), substitute—
 - "(a) "European Economic Area State" means a member State, Norway, Liechtenstein, Iceland or Switzerland;"; and
 - (b) omit sub-paragraph (b).

Marginal Citations

M15 S.I. 1999/1856, as amended by S.I. 2003/3148.

The General Chiropractic Council (Registration of Chiropractors with Foreign Qualifications) Rules Order of Council 2002

- **18.**—(1) The Schedule to the General Chiropractic Council (Registration of Chiropractors with Foreign Qualifications) Rules Order of Council 2002 M16 is amended in accordance with this regulation.
 - (2) In rule 9 (application and interpretation of Part III), in paragraph (2)—
 - (a) for the definition of "EEA State", substitute—
 - ""EEA State" means a member State, Norway, Liechtenstein, Iceland or Switzerland;";
 - (b) insert in the appropriate alphabetical position—
 - ""relevant EEA State" means the applicant's EEA State of origin, the EEA State from which the applicant comes or the EEA State in which the applicant formerly qualified or practised;"; and
 - (c) omit the definitions of "Member State" and "relevant Member State".
- (3) In rule 10(4) (applications), 11(1)(a) and (b)(i) (evidence of good character) and 12(1) (evidence as to health), for the words "Member State", substitute "EEA State".

Marginal Citations

M16 S.I. 2002/2704, as amended by S.I. 2003/3148.

HEALTH PROFESSIONS

The Health Professions Order 2001

- 19.—(1) The Health Professions Order 2001 $^{\rm M17}$ is amended in accordance with this regulation.
- (2) In Schedule 3 (interpretation)—
 - (a) omit the definition of "EEA Agreement"; and
 - (b) for the definition of "EEA State", substitute—
 - ""EEA State" means a member State, Norway, Liechtenstein, Iceland or Switzerland;".

Marginal Citations

M17 S.I. 2002/254, as amended by S.I. 2003/3148.

SOCIAL WORKERS

The Care Standards Act 2000

- **20.**—(1) The Care Standards Act 2000 M18 is amended in accordance with this regulation.
- (2) In section 64 (qualifications gained outside a Council's area), in subsection (5)—
 - (a) for the definition of "EEA State", substitute—
 - ""EEA State" means a member State, Norway, Liechtenstein, Iceland or Switzerland; ";
 - (b) omit the definition of "EEA Agreement"; and
 - (c) in the definition of "national", after "Treaties", insert " but does not include a person who by virtue of Article 2 of Protocol No.3 (Channel Islands and Isle of Man) to the Treaty of Accession is not to benefit from Community provisions relating to the free movement of persons and services ".

Marginal Citations

M18 2000 c. 14. There are no relevant amendments.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

Department of Health

John Hutton Minister of State,

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations implement in part Annex II to the Act annexed to the Treaty relating to the conditions of accession of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia and the Slovak Republic and the Adjustments to the Treaties on which the European Union is founded signed at Athens on 16th April 2003 ("the Annex").

These Regulations implement the Annex insofar as it amends the Directives relating to dentists, pharmacists and doctors, and they partially implement the Annex insofar as it amends the Directives relating to nurses responsible for general care and midwives. The Regulations also amend relevant definitions in the Care Standards Act 2000 in relation to the profession of social worker. The Annex also amends Directives 89/48/EEC and 92/51/EEC which apply, among others, to chiropractors, osteopaths and the health professions regulated under the Health Professions Order 2001 and these Regulations partially implement these amendments. The date of accession of the new Member States is 1st May 2004.

The Regulations in particular amend existing legislation to make special provision for the recognition of qualifications awarded in the new Member States before 1st May 2004, or qualifications in respect of training commenced before that date. The Regulations also make special provision for the recognition of qualifications that were awarded in the territory of the former Czechoslovakia, the former Soviet Union or Yugoslavia.

In addition to implementing the Annex, these Regulations also make minor amendments to the way in which relevant Directives have been previously implemented. In particular, the Regulations provide in accordance with the judgment in *Tennah-Durez*, (C-110/01), for the removal of requirements for United Kingdom competent authorities to annotate certificates awarded to health care professionals where more than one year of the training undertaken to obtain a particular health care qualification takes place outside the EEA.

A transposition table is available on the following website: http://www.legislation. hmso.gov.uk/stat.htm. The transposition table gives further information about the implementation of the Annex insofar as it is implemented by these Regulations.

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as it has no impact on the costs of business.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The European Qualifications (Health and Social Care Professions and Accession of New Member States) Regulations 2004.