
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order is the fifth commencement order under the Health and Social Care (Community Health and Standards) Act 2003 (“the Act”).

Article 2 commences the following provisions of the Act with effect from 17th January 2005—

- section 117(1), for the purpose only of making regulations;
- section 117(2); and
- consequential amendments and repeals to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 relating to information about the provision of primary and general medical services and, subject to article 3, dental services.

Article 3 makes transitional provision in respect of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which will apply until the commencement of provisions in the Act relating to primary and general dental services.