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Social Care Professions) Regulations 2016**

PART 2

MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS

CHAPTER 2

**AMENDMENT OF THE POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL
EDUCATION AND TRAINING ORDER OF COUNCIL 2010**

Introductory

12. The Postgraduate Medical Education and Training Order of Council 2010⁽¹⁾ is amended in accordance with this Chapter.

Amendment of article 5

13.—(1) Article 5 (general systems general practitioners eligible for entry in the general practitioner register) is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph (a), for “3(9)(e)” substitute “3(8)(e)”.

(3) In paragraph (b)—

(a) for “20 to 26” substitute “27 to 34”;

(b) for “3(4)” substitute “3(5)”.

Amendment of article 9

14.—(1) Article 9 (general systems specialists eligible for entry in the specialist register) is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph (a), for “3(9)(a), (c) or (e)” substitute “3(8)(a), (c) or (e)”.

(3) In paragraph (b)—

(a) for “20 to 26” substitute “27 to 34”;

(b) for “3(4)” substitute “3(5)”.

Amendment of article 10

15.—(1) Article 10 (recognised specialist qualifications granted outside the United Kingdom) is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph (1)(f)(iii), omit the “and” at the end.

(3) After paragraph (1)(g) (after the table), insert—

- “(h) a specialist qualification listed in Annex V, points 5.1.2 and 5.1.3 of the Directive—
- (i) which was awarded in Italy to doctors who started their specialist training after 31st December 1983 and before 1st January 1991 (even if the training concerned did not satisfy all the training requirements of article 25 of the Directive);
 - (ii) which was awarded in a recognised specialty; and
 - (iii) where evidence of the qualification is accompanied by a certificate of a competent authority in Italy stating that the holder has effectively and lawfully been engaged, in Italy, in the activities of a medical specialist in that specialty for at least seven consecutive years during the ten years preceding the date of the certificate.”.

Insertion of articles 12 and 13

16. After article 11, insert—

“Partial exemption

12.—(1) The Registrar may exempt a person from a requirement to complete part (“the relevant part”) of a specialist training course in the United Kingdom if the conditions in paragraph (2) are satisfied.

(2) The conditions are that—

- (a) the person has already completed the equivalent of the relevant part, whilst completing a specialist training course in a relevant European State and in respect of which the person obtained a qualification; and
- (b) the relevant part does not equate to more than half of the minimum duration of the specialist training course in respect of which the exemption is to apply.

(3) In this article, “specialist training course” means a course listed in Annex V, point 5.1.3 of the Directive.

Review

13. By 1st November 2021, and subsequently at intervals not exceeding 5 years from that date, in accordance with section 30 of the Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015, the Secretary of State must—

- (a) carry out a review of the amendments made to this Order by the European Qualifications (Health and Social Care Professions) Regulations 2016;
- (b) set out the conclusions of the review in a report; and
- (c) publish the report.”.