

# Regulation and Inspection of Social Care (Wales) Act 2016

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## PART 6

### SOCIAL CARE WORKERS: FITNESS TO PRACTISE

## **CHAPTER 6**

### APPEALS AND REFERRALS TO THE TRIBUNAL

#### 158 Appeals against decisions of a fitness to practise panel

(1) This section applies where a fitness to practise panel—

- (a) having determined that a registered person's fitness to practise is impaired ("a finding of impairment"), makes a decision to take no further action under section 138(5);
- (b) following a finding of impairment, gives a warning under section 138(6);
- (c) following a finding of impairment, makes a conditional registration order under section 138(7);
- (d) following a finding of impairment, makes a suspension order under section 138(8);
- (e) following a finding of impairment, makes a removal order under section 138(9);
- (f) following a finding of impairment, makes a decision in a review case under section 152(8) (disposals following review of undertakings);
- (g) following a finding of impairment, makes a decision in a review case under section 153(6), (7) or (9) (disposals following review of conditional registration order);

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- (h) following a finding of impairment, makes a decision in a review case under section 154(6), (7), (8) or (10) (disposals following review of suspension order);
- (i) makes a decision in a review case under section 155(9) or (10) (disposals following review of indefinite suspension order).
- (2) The person in respect of whom a decision of a kind listed in subsection (1) was made may appeal against the decision to the tribunal.
- (3) An appeal must be brought within the period of 28 days beginning with the day on which notice of the decision is given to the person concerned.
- (4) But the tribunal may allow an appeal to be made to it after the end of the period mentioned in subsection (3) if it is satisfied that there is a good reason for the failure to appeal before the end of that period (and for any delay in applying for permission to appeal out of time).
- (5) On an appeal under this section, the tribunal may—
  - (a) confirm the decision,
  - (b) substitute for the decision appealed against another decision that the fitness to practise panel could have made, or
  - (c) remit the case to SCW to dispose of in accordance with the directions of the tribunal.