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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**1997 No. 524 (C. 31)**

**HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES**

**The Health Services (Primary Care) (1997 Order)  
(Commencement No. 1) Order (Northern Ireland) 1997**

*Made - - - - 5th December 1997*

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 1(2) of the Health Services (Primary Care) (Northern Ireland) Order 1997(1) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following order:

**Citation**

1. This order may be cited as the Health Services (Primary Care) (1997 Order) (Commencement No. 1) Order (Northern Ireland) 1997.

**Appointed day**

2. The day appointed for the coming into operation of the provisions of the Health Services (Primary Care) (Northern Ireland) Order 1997 set out in column 1 of the Schedule (the subject matter of each provision being set out in column (2)), is 12th January 1998.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services on

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5th December 1997.

*Joan Dixon*  
Assistant Secretary

**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

## SCHEDULE

Article 2

Provisions of the Health Services (Primary Care) (Northern Ireland) Order 1997 coming into operation on 12th January 1998

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(2) S.I. 1972/1265 (N.I. 14)

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order.)*

This order brings into operation on 12th January 1998 those provisions of the Health Services (Primary Care) (Northern Ireland) Order 1997, specified in the Schedule, which are necessary for the preparation of proposals for pilot schemes and the funding of preparatory work for those schemes, and for the supply of certain optical or pharmaceutical services under HSS contracts.

The provisions which are brought into operation relate to—

- (a) the preparation of proposals for pilot schemes;
- (b) requirements for pilot schemes, and provision of personal medical and personal dental services under pilot schemes;
- (c) the approval and making of pilot schemes;
- (d) the relationship between provisions on pilot schemes in the Health Services (Primary Care) (Northern Ireland) Order 1997 and certain provisions of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972;
- (e) preferential treatment for practitioners who wish to be included in medical lists after ceasing to provide personal medical services under a pilot scheme;
- (f) the funding of work in connection with the preparation of proposals and preparatory work prior to participation in a pilot scheme;
- (g) the provision of certain services under HSS contracts; and
- (h) the provision of additional pharmaceutical services and the authorised provision of pharmaceutical services by medical practitioners.