



# National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

## 1978 CHAPTER 29

### PART VII

#### MISCELLANEOUS AND SUPPLEMENTARY

##### *Supplementary*

#### **105 Orders, regulations and directions**

- (1) Any power to make orders and regulations conferred by this Act shall be exercisable by statutory instrument.
- (2) A statutory instrument made by virtue of this Act shall, subject to subsections (3) and (4), be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution by either House of Parliament.
- (3) No regulations shall be made under sub-paragraphs (1) or (2) of paragraph 6 of Schedule 6 (capital value of and borrowings from relevant endowments) unless a draft has been laid before Parliament and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.
- (4) Subsection (2) does not apply to—
  - (a) an order made under section 2(1) constituting a Health Board;
  - (b) orders made under sections 2(11), 8, 10(3) to (5), 70(2) and 102(2);
- (5) Any power to make regulations conferred on the Secretary of State by this Act is, if the Treasury so direct, exercisable by the Treasury and the Secretary of State jointly except in the case of—
  - (a) regulations made under section 22 ;
  - (b) regulations made under section 69(1) in respect of charges for the drugs, medicines or appliances referred to in paragraph (a) of that subsection, or under paragraph 1(1) of Schedule 11 in respect of the remission or repayment

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of any charge payable under that section in the cases provided for in paragraph 1(1) of that Schedule;

- (c) regulations made under paragraph 2(2) of that Schedule ;
- (d) regulations made under paragraph 2(6) of that Schedule.

(6) Where under any provision of this Act—

- (a) power to make an order may be exercisable, or
- (b) directions may be given, or
- (c) schemes may be made,

that provision includes power to vary or revoke the order or direction or scheme, as the case may be, by subsequent order or subsequent directions or subsequent scheme made in the like manner and subject to the same provisions.

(7) Any power to make regulations or orders under sections 2, 6, 7(8), 8(1), 9,10(3), 10(5), 14,15(3), 16(2), 49, 72, 86,102,107(2), 107(3), paragraph 6, 11 and 19 of Schedule 1, paragraph 3 of Schedule 3, and paragraphs 8 and 12 of Schedule 5, may be exercised—

- (a) either in relation to all cases to which the power extends, or in those cases subject to exceptions, or in relation to any particular case or cases, and
- (b) subject to such other exceptions or conditions as the Secretary of State thinks fit,

and shall include power to make such incidental or supplementary provision as appears to the Secretary of State to be expedient.

## **106 Supplementary regulatory powers**

Regulations may make provision for all or any of the following matters,—

- (a) for prescribing the forms of notices and other documents, and the manner of service of notices and other documents;
- (b) for prescribing the manner in which documents may be executed or proved ;
- (c) for prescribing the manner in which resolutions of any bodies constituted under this Act are to be proved.

## **107 Local enactments**

(1) Subject to subsection (2), where any local enactment provides for any matter which is also provided for by any provision of this Act or of any order or regulations made under this Act, the provisions of this Act, or as the case may be, of that order or those regulations, shall have effect in substitution for the local enactment, which shall cease to have effect.

(2) The Secretary of State may by order except from the operation of subsection (1) such local enactments as may be specified in the order and direct that corresponding provisions of this Act or of any order or regulations made under this Act, shall not have effect in the areas in which the specified local enactments have effect.

(3) If it appears to the Secretary of State that any local enactment not being an enactment which has ceased to have effect by virtue of subsection (1), is inconsistent with any provision of this Act or that any order or regulations made under this Act, or is no longer required, or regulations to be amended, having regard to any such provision, order or regulation, he may by order repeal or amend the local enactment as he may consider appropriate.

## 108 Interpretation and construction

(1) In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears—

" the Agency " has the meaning indicated in section 10;

" area medical committee ", " area dental committee ", " area nursing and midwifery committee ", " area pharmaceutical committee " and " area optical committee " have the meanings indicated in section 9(2);

" certified midwife " means a person who is for the time being certified under the Midwives (Scotland) Act 1951 ;

"the Dental Estimates Board " has the meaning indicated in section 4;

" dental practitioner " means a person registered in the dentists register under the Dentists Act 1957;

" designated medical officer " means an officer designated under section 14;

" dispensing optician " means a person who is registered in the register kept under section 2 of the Opticians Act 1958 of dispensing opticians or a body corporate enrolled in the list kept under section 4 of that Act or such bodies carrying on business as dispensing opticians;

" education authority " has the same meaning as in the Education (Scotland) Act 1962 ;

" equipment " includes any machinery, apparatus or appliance, whether fixed or not, and any vehicle;

" full-time education in a school " means full-time instruction in a school within the meaning of the Education (Scotland) Act 1962 or the Education Act 1944 ;

" functions " includes powers and duties ;

" governing body ", in relation to any hospital to which section 89 applies, includes any body, whether corporate or unincorporate, having the control and management of the hospital or any part of it or otherwise carrying on the business of the hospital or any part of it;

" Health Board " means a board constituted under section 2;

" the health service " means the health service established in pursuance of section 1 of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1947;

" health service hospital " means a hospital vested in the Secretary of State under this Act;

" Health Services Board " means the body established by section 1 of the Health Services Act 1976;

" hospital " means—

- (a) any institution for the reception and treatment of persons suffering from illness,
- (b) any maternity home, and
- (c) any institution for the reception and treatment of persons during convalescence or persons requiring medical rehabilitation, and any institution for providing dental treatment maintained in connection with a dental school,

and includes clinics, dispensaries and out-patient departments maintained in connection with any such home or institution, and "hospital accommodation" shall be construed accordingly;

" the Hospital Trust " has the meaning indicated in section

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" illness " includes mental disorder within the meaning of the Mental Health (Scotland) Act 1960 and any injury or disability requiring medical or dental treatment or nursing ;

" local authority " means a regional, islands or district council ;

"local consultative committee " means a committee recognised by the Secretary of State under section 9(1);

" local health council " has the meaning indicated in section 7;

" medical " includes surgical;

" the Medical Practices Committee " has the meaning indicated in section 3 ;

" medical practitioner " means a fully registered person within the meaning of the Medical Act 1956;

" medicine " includes such chemical re-agents as are included in a list for the time being approved by the Secretary of State for the purposes of section 27;

" modifications " includes additions, omissions and amendments ;

" national consultative committees " has the meaning indicated in section 6 ;

" officer " includes servant;

" ophthalmic optician " means a person registered in either of the registers kept under section 2 of the Opticians Act 1958 of ophthalmic opticians or a body corporate enrolled in the list kept under section 4 of that Act of such bodies carrying on business as ophthalmic opticians;

" patient " includes an expectant or nursing mother and a lying-in woman;

" the Planning Council " has the meaning indicated in section 5;

" prescribed " means prescribed by regulations made by the Secretary of State under this Act;

" property " includes rights ;

" registered nurse " means a nurse registered in the register of nurses kept under the Nurses (Scotland) Act 1951 ;

" registered pharmacist " means a pharmacist registered in the register of pharmaceutical chemists ;

" regulations " means regulations made by the Secretary of State under this Act;

" relevant endowment " has the meaning indicated in section 11;

" the Research Trust " has the meaning indicated in section 12;

" Scottish Committee " means the committee constituted under section 1(3) of the Health Services Act 1976.

" state hospital " has the same meaning as in the Mental Health (Scotland) Act 1960 ;

" superannuation benefits " means annual superannuation allowances, gratuities and periodical payments payable on retirement, death or incapacity, and similar benefits;

" the Tribunal " has the meaning indicated in section 29 ;

" the Trust " has the meaning indicated in section 11;

" University Liaison Committee " means a committee such as is referred to in section 8 ;

" voluntary " means not carried on for profit and not provided by a local or public authority ;

- (2) References in this Act to the purposes of a hospital shall be construed as referring both to the general purposes of the hospital and to any specific purpose of the hospital.
- (3) Any reference in this Act to any enactment is a reference to it as amended or applied by or under any other enactment including this Act.
- (4) In this Act, except where otherwise indicated,—
  - (a) a reference to a numbered Part, section or Schedule is a reference to the Part or section of, or the Schedule to, this Act so numbered ;
  - (b) a reference in a section to a numbered subsection is a reference to the subsection of that section so numbered;
  - (c) a reference in a section, subsection or Schedule to a numbered or lettered paragraph is a reference to the paragraph of that section, subsection or Schedule so numbered or lettered; and
  - (d) a reference to any provision of an Act (including this Act) includes a reference to any Schedule incorporated in the Act by that provision.

#### **109 Transitional provisions and savings, consequential amendments and repeals**

Schedule 15 to this Act is hereby given effect, and subject to the transitional provisions and savings contained in that Schedule—

- (a) the enactments and the order specified in Schedule 16 have effect subject to the amendments (being amendments consequent on this Act) specified in that Schedule, and
- (b) the enactments specified in Schedule 17 (which include enactments which were spent before the passing of this Act) are hereby repealed to the extent specified in the third column of that Schedule ;

but nothing in this Act shall be taken as prejudicing the operation of section 38 of the Interpretation Act 1889 (which relates to the operation of repeals).

#### **110 Citation, extent and commencement**

- (1) This Act may be cited as the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978.
- (2) Subject to subsection (3), this Act extends only to Scotland.
- (3) Paragraph 3 of Schedule 10 extends to other parts of the United Kingdom.
- (4) This Act shall come into force on 1st January 1979.