CARE STANDARDS ACT 2000

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part Vii: Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults

Protection of vulnerable adults

Section 91 Access to list before commencement of section 90

244. This section provides that pending such time as the Criminal Records Bureau takes on the function of issuing criminal record certificates, any person who wishes to offer an individual employment in a care position, or an employment agency or domiciliary care agency who wishes to take on an individual, or any other person as may be defined in regulations, is entitled on application to the Secretary of State to the information as to whether the individual is on the list. An application can still be made if the individual is already employed by the person. This means, for example, that an employer can carry out a check in order for a person to change their duties and work in a care position when they had not done so before.