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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**1999 No. 71 (C. 8)**

**HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES**

**The Health Services (Primary Care) (1997 Order)  
(Commencement No. 3) Order (Northern Ireland) 1999**

*Made - - - - 19th February 1999*

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<sup>(1)</sup> 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. 3) Order (Northern Ireland) 1999.

**Amendment of the Health Services (Primary Care) (1997 Order) (Commencement No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 1998**

2. Article 3 of the Health Services (Primary Care) (1997 Order) (Commencement No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 1998<sup>(2)</sup> shall be amended by the insertion, after paragraph (2), of the following paragraph—

“(3) Where section 53(3)(a)(iii) of the Dentists Act 1984<sup>(3)</sup>, as amended by the provisions of Schedule 2 to the 1997 Order, and brought into operation by Schedule 2 to this Order, refers to services under Article 15B of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972<sup>(4)</sup>, such a reference is to be taken as referring only to a pilot scheme under Part II of the 1997 Order under which personal dental services are to be provided, and the purpose of bringing that provision of the 1997 Order into operation is limited accordingly.”.

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(1) S.I. 1997/1177 (N.I. 7)

(2) S.R. 1998 No. 301 (C. 13)

(3) 1984 c. 24; section 53(3)(a) was amended by paragraph 62 of Schedule 2 to the National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997 (c. 46), and further amended by Article 32(1) of, and Schedule 2 to, the Health Services (Primary Care) (Northern Ireland) Order 1997

(4) Article 15B was inserted by Article 21 of S.I. 1997/1177 (N.I. 7)

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

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19th February 1999.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order amends the Health Services (Primary Care) (1997 Order) (Commencement No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 1998 (“the Commencement No. 2 Order”) in relation to the bringing into operation, on 1st April 1999, of the amendment to section 53(3)(a)(iii) of the Dentists Act 1984 (“the 1984 Act”) contained in Schedule 2 to the Health Services (Primary Care) (Northern Ireland) Order 1997 (“the 1997 Order”).

The effect of the amendment to the Commencement No. 2 Order is to clarify that references to “national health services” in the 1984 Act include personal dental services provided under pilot schemes under the 1997 Order, and that the commencement of the amendment to section 53 is limited to its application to such pilot schemes (Article 2).

## NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT ORDERS

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

The following provisions of the 1997 Order have been brought into operation by the Health Services (Primary Care) (1997 Order) (Commencement No. 1) Order (Northern Ireland) 1997 ([S.R. 1997 No. 524 \(C. 31\)](#)):

<i>Provision</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>
Article 1	12th January 1998
Article 2	”
Article 3	”
Article 4	”
Article 5	”
Article 6	”
Article 7	”
Article 8	”
Article 11	”
Article 14(1) and (3) to (8)	”
Article 17	”
Article 18	”
Article 27	”
Article 28	”
Article 29	”
Article 30	”
Article 31	”

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<i>Provision</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>
Article 32(3) and (4)	”

The following provisions of the 1997 Order have been brought into operation by the Health Services (Primary Care) (1997 Order) (Commencement No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 1998 (S.R. 1998 No. 301 (C. 13)):

<i>Provision</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>
Article 9	1st April 1999
Article 10	”
Article 12	”
Article 13	”
Article 14(2) and (9)	”
Article 16	”
Article 19	”
Article 20	”
Article 23	”
Article 24	”
Article 32(2) and Schedule 3	”
Schedule 1	”
Article 32(1) of, and Schedule 2 to, the 1997 Order, in so far as those provisions relate to the amendment to Articles 63(1) and 64(2) of the 1972 Order	1st September 1998
Article 32(1) of, and Schedule 2 to, the 1997 Order, in so far as those provisions relate to the amendment to Article 8 of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1991	1st November 1998
Article 32(1) of, and those provisions of Schedule 2 to, the 1997 Order not already in operation, or otherwise brought into operation by this Order, with the exception of—	1st April 1999
(a) the insertion in Article 2(2) of the 1972 Order of the definitions of “health services body”, “medical lists”, “personal dental services”, “personal medical services” and “statutory provision”; and	
(b) the amendments to Articles 10 and 17(1) of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1991.	