

1980 No. 460

NURSES AND MIDWIVES

Nurses (Disciplinary) (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1980
Approval Order (Northern Ireland) 1980

Made 23rd December 1980

Coming into operation 9th February 1981

Whereas the Northern Ireland Council for Nurses and Midwives has, in exercise of its powers under sections 45 and 52 of the Nurses and Midwives Act (Northern Ireland) 1970(a) made the Nurses (Disciplinary) (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1980 and has submitted them to the Department(b) of Health and Social Services (in this order referred to as "the Department") for approval:

Now, therefore, the Department in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 52 of the Nurses and Midwives Act (Northern Ireland) 1970 and of every other power enabling it in that behalf makes the following order:

1. This Order may be cited as the Nurses (Disciplinary) (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1980 Approval Order (Northern Ireland) 1980 and shall come into operation on 9th February 1981.

2. The Department hereby approves the Rules in the form set out in the Schedule.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland on 23rd December 1980.

(L.S.)

W. Young

Assistant Secretary

(a) 1970 (N.I.) c. 11

(b) Formerly Ministry: see 1973 c. 36 Sch. 5 para. (8)

SCHEDULE

The Northern Ireland Council for Nurses and Midwives in exercise of its powers under sections 45 and 52 of the Nurses and Midwives Act (Northern Ireland) 1970 and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, after consultation with the General Nursing Council (England and Wales) and General Nursing Council (Scotland) hereby makes the following rules:—

Citation

1. These rules which may be cited as the Nurses (Disciplinary) (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1980 shall be read as one with the Nurses (Disciplinary) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1973(c) (hereinafter referred to as "the principal rules").

Insertion of new rule 25A in Part II of the principal rules

2. After rule 25 of the principal rules, there shall be inserted the following rule:—

25A. If allegations are brought to the notice of the Council that a national of a Member State of the European Community who has been authorised to render services in the United Kingdom under Article 6 of the Nursing Qualifications (EEC Recognition) Order 1979(d) has, while visiting the United Kingdom, been guilty of conduct which in the case of a person registered in the General Part of the Register could lead to the removal of her name therefrom; or she has rendered services other than those specified in the declaration given by her under paragraph (2) of Article 6, such allegations shall be dealt with in accordance with the procedure provided for in this Part of the Rules (so far as applicable) for a case where allegations of misconduct on the part of a registered nurse have come to the notice of the Council.

The Seal of the Northern Ireland Council for Nurses and Midwives was affixed hereto this 20th day of November 1980.

Dawson Moreland
(Chairman)

W. B. Baxter
(Secretary)

(c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 131 (p. 756)

(d) S.I. 1979/1604

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

The Rules approved by this Order amend the Nurses (Disciplinary) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1973 which lay down the procedure relating to disciplinary proceedings against nurses and enrolled nurses, to make provision for the action to be taken in cases of alleged misconduct by a national of a member State of the European Community who has been authorised to render nursing services in the United Kingdom under the Nursing Qualifications (EEC Recognition) Order 1979.