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### GENERAL MEDICAL SERVICES

# Medical Practitioners (Vocational Training) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1986

The Department of Health and Social Services in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 8 of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1978(a) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, after consultations with such organisations as appeared to the Department to be representative of the medical profession, hereby makes the following regulations:

## Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Medical Practitioners (Vocational Training) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1986 and shall come into operation on 20th October 1986.
- (2) In these regulations "the principal regulations" means the Medical Practitioners (Vocational Training) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979(b).

## Amendment to the principal regulations

- 2. The principal regulations shall be amended as follows:—
- (a) in regulation 2 (definition of "practitioner") for the words "section 22 of the Medical Act 1978" there shall be substituted the words "section 22 of the Medical Act 1983";
- (b) in paragraph (1) of regulation 7 (exemptions) after sub-paragraph (f) there shall be added the following sub-paragraph:—
  - "(g) if he is a national of a Member State of the Communities and holds one or more primary European qualifications as defined in section 17 of the Medical Act 1983(c) by virtue of which he is entitled to be registered under section 3 of that Act as a fully registered medical practitioner".

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland on 29th September 1986.

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<sup>(</sup>a) S.I. 1978/1907 (N.I. 26)

<sup>(</sup>b) S.R. 1979 No. 460 amended by S.R. 1986 No. 69

<sup>(</sup>c) 1983 c. 54; section 17(4) and Schedule 2 were amended by the Medical and Dental Qualifications (EEC Recognition — Spain and Portugal) Order (S.I. 1986/23)

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations further amend the Medical Practitioners (Vocational Training) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979 which prescribe the medical experience which, under Article 8 of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1978, a medical practitioner is required to have acquired, or be exempt from the need to do so, before applying to be included in a medical list to provide general medical services.

The Regulations amend regulation 7 of the principal regulations, which prescribes the circumstances in which medical practitioners are exempt from the need to have acquired the prescribed medical experience by providing for exemption in the case of a national of a Member State of the European Communities who is registered in the United Kingdom as a medical practitioner by virtue of a qualification in a member State of the European Communities other than the United Kingdom.

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This Order has been exempted from printing by the Statutory Rules (Northern Ireland) Order 1979. A summary is given in the List of Statutory Rules of a Local Character under the heading ROADS.