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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2004 No. 140**

**The Health and Personal Social Services (General Medical Services Contracts) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004**

**PART 2**

**CONTRACTORS**

**Conditions relating solely to medical practitioners**

4.—(1) In the case of a contract to be entered into with a medical practitioner, that practitioner must be a general medical practitioner.

(2) In the case of a contract to be entered into with two or more individuals practising in partnership –

- (a) at least one partner (who must not be a limited partner) must be a general medical practitioner; and
- (b) any other partner who is a medical practitioner must –
  - (i) be a general medical practitioner, or
  - (ii) be employed by a Board, a Health and Social Services Trust, a Primary Care Trust, a Local Health Board, (in England and Wales and Scotland) NHS Trust, an NHS Foundation Trustor, (in Scotland) a Health Board;

(3) In the case of a contract to be entered into with a company limited by shares –

- (a) at least one share in the company must be legally and beneficially owned by a general medical practitioner; and
- (b) any other share or shares in the company that are legally and beneficially owned by a medical practitioner must be so owned by –
  - (i) a general medical practitioner, or
  - (ii) a medical practitioner who is employed by a Board, a Primary Care Trust, Local Health Board, in England and Wales and Scotland an NHS Trust, or in (Scotland) a Health Board.