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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2021 No. 101**

**MENTAL HEALTH**

**The Mental Health (1986 Order) (Amendment  
No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 2021**

*Made* - - - - *15th April 2021*  
*Coming into operation* *10th May 2021*

The Department of Health<sup>(1)</sup>, in exercise of the powers conferred by Article 64(2) of the Mental Health (Northern Ireland) Order 1986<sup>(2)</sup>, makes the following Order:

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Mental Health (1986 Order) (Amendment No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 2021 and shall come into operation on 10th May 2021.

**Amendment of Article 64(1)(b) of the Mental Health (Northern Ireland) Order 1986**

2. In Article 64(1)(b)(3), for “six months” substitute “three months”.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health on 15th April 2021.

(L.S.)

*Mark Lee*  
A senior officer of the Department of Health.

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(1) 2016 c. 5 (N.I.), s1(5)

(2) S.I. 1986/595 (NI 4)

(3) Article 64(1)(b) was amended by S.R. 2020 No. 46 & 142 and S.R. 2021 No. 8

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

This Order varies the length of the period which must elapse for a second opinion to be required for the continued administration of medicine to detained patients from six months to three months.