

**2022 No. 106**

**HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES**

**The Regulation and Improvement Authority (Fees and Frequency of Inspections) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2022**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>11th March 2022</i>
<i>Laid before the Assembly</i>		<i>14th March 2022</i>
<i>Coming into operation</i>		<i>1st May 2022</i>

The Department of Health<sup>(a)</sup> makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 40(7) and 48(2) of the Health and Personal Social Services (Quality, Improvement and Regulation) (Northern Ireland) Order 2003<sup>(b)</sup>:

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

**1.**—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Regulation and Improvement Authority (Fees and Frequency of Inspections) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2022 and shall come into operation on 1st May 2022.

(2) In these regulations “the principal regulations” means the Regulation and Improvement Authority (Fees and Frequency of Inspections) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005<sup>(c)</sup>.

**Amendment of the Regulation and Improvement Authority (Fees and Frequency of Inspections) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005**

**2.**—(1) The principal regulations shall be amended in accordance with the following paragraph:

(2) In regulation 6 (Frequency of Inspections)—

- (a) in paragraph (1)(a) omit the word “and”;
- (b) after paragraph (1)(a) insert “(aa) in the case of an independent hospital where the treatment provided includes dental treatment under general anaesthesia or sedation, a minimum of once in every 24 month period; and”;
- (c) in paragraph (6) after “following year” add “and “24 month period” means a period commencing on and including 1st April in any year and ending on 31st March 2 years later.”.

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(a) Formerly the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety (see 2016 c.5 (N.I.),s1(5))

(b) S.I. 2003/431 (N.I.9)

(c) S.R. 2005 No. 182 as amended by S.R. 2006 No.341, S.R. 2007 No.223, S.R. 2010 No.291, S.R. 2011 No.17 and 2014 c.5

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

These Regulations amend Regulation 6 of the Regulation and Improvement Authority (Fees and Frequency of Inspections) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 by setting a new statutory minimum period for inspections of Dental Practices.

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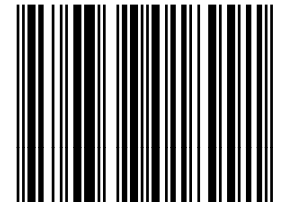
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