SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2004 No. 387

# **MENTAL HEALTH**

The Mental Health (Advance Statements) (Prescribed Class of Persons) (Scotland) Regulations 2004

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Laid before the Scottish	
Parliament	9th September 2004
Coming into force	1st October 2004

The Scottish Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 275(2)(d) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003(1) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Regulations:

#### Citation, commencement and interpretation

**1.**—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Mental Health (Advance Statements) (Prescribed Class of Persons) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 and shall come into force on 1st October 2004.

(2) In these Regulations-

"care service" has the meaning given by subsection (1)(a), (b), (e), (g), (h) and (k) of section 2 of the Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001(2); and

"social worker" has the meaning given by section 77(1) of that Act.

### **Prescribed persons**

**2.** The following class of persons is prescribed for the purposes of section 275(2)(d) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003–

- (a) clinical psychologists entered on the British Psychological Society's register of chartered psychologists;
- (b) medical practitioners;
- (c) occupational therapists registered with the Health Professions Council;
- (d) persons employed in the provision of (or in managing the provision of) a care service;
- (e) registered nurses;

<sup>(1) 2003</sup> asp 13; see section 329 for the definition of "regulations".

<sup>(</sup>**2**) 2001 asp 8.

- (f) social workers; and
- (g) solicitors.

St Andrew's House, Edinburgh 8th September 2004 *MALCOLM CHISHOLM* A member of the Scottish Executive

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

The Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003 ("the Act") makes provision for the making of "advance statements". Any such statement must be witnessed and certified by a "prescribed person". These Regulations prescribe, for the purposes of section 275(2)(d) of the Act, the class of persons who may witness and certify advance statements.

Advance statements may be withdrawn by following the procedure at section 275(3) of the Act. Any such withdrawal must be witnessed and certified in the same way that an advance statement is witnessed and certified.