

## Medical Act 1983

## **1983 CHAPTER 54**

## **PART V**

PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT AND FITNESS TO PRACTISE

## Disciplinary provisions affecting practitioners who render services while visiting the United Kingdom

- (1) if a national of a member State of the Communities who has medical qualifications entitling him to registration under section 3 above but is not so registered and who renders medical services while visiting the United Kingdom (whether or not registered as a visiting EEC practitioner)—
  - (a) is found by the Professional Conduct Committee to have been convicted of a criminal offence in any member State where he was practising medicine; or
  - (b) is judged by the Professional Conduct Committee to have been guilty of serious professional misconduct, the Committee may, if they think fit, impose on him a prohibition in respect of the rendering of medical services in the United Kingdom in the future.
- (2) A prohibition imposed under this section shall either relate to a period specified by the Professional Conduct Committee or be expressed to continue for an indefinite period.
- (3) A person may apply to the General Council for termination of a prohibition imposed on him under this section and the Council may, on any such application, terminate the prohibition or reduce the period of it; but no application may be made under this subsection—
  - (a) earlier than ten months from the date on which the prohibition was imposed; or
  - (b) in the period of ten months following a decision made on an earlier application.
- (4) Section 18(1) above does not apply to a person and that person shall not be registered as a visiting EEC practitioner at a time when he is subject to a prohibition imposed by the Professional Conduct Committee under this section.