



# National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006

## 2006 CHAPTER 42

### PART 14

#### SUPPLEMENTARY

#### 206 Interpretation

(1) In this Act (except where the context otherwise requires)—

“dental practitioner” means a person registered in the dentists register under the Dentists Act 1984 (c. 24),

“facilities” includes the provision of (or the use of) premises, goods, materials, vehicles, plant or apparatus,

“the FHSAA” means the Family Health Services Appeal Authority,

“financial year” means a period of 12 months ending with 31st March in any year,

“functions” includes powers and duties,

“goods” include accommodation,

“the health service” means the health service continued under section 1(1) and under section 1(1) of the National Health Service Act 2006 (c. 41),

“health service hospital” means a hospital vested in the Welsh Ministers for the purposes of their functions under this Act or vested in an NHS trust,

“hospital” means—

- (a) any institution for the reception and treatment of persons suffering from illness,
- (b) any maternity home, and
- (c) any institution for the reception and treatment of persons during convalescence or persons requiring medical rehabilitation,

and includes clinics, dispensaries and out-patient departments maintained in connection with any such home or institution, and “hospital accommodation” must be construed accordingly,

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“illness” includes mental disorder within the meaning of the Mental Health Act 1983 (c. 20) and any injury or disability requiring medical or dental treatment or nursing,

“local authority” means a county council, a county borough council, a district council, a London borough council, and the Common Council of the City of London,

“local education authority” has the same meaning as in the Education Act 1996 (c. 56),

“local pharmaceutical services” means such services as are prescribed under section 92(7) or paragraph 1(7) of Schedule 7,

“local social services authority” means the council of a non-metropolitan county, of a county borough or of a metropolitan district or London borough, or the Common Council of the City of London,

“medical” includes surgical,

“medical practitioner” means a registered medical practitioner within the meaning of Schedule 1 to the Interpretation Act 1978 (c. 30),

“medicine” includes such chemical re-agents as are included in a list approved by the Welsh Ministers for the purposes of section 80,

“modifications” includes additions, omissions and amendments,

“NHS trust” includes an NHS trust established under the National Health Service Act 2006,

“officer” includes servant,

“optometrist” means a person registered in the register of optometrists maintained under section 7 of the Opticians Act 1989 (c. 44) or a body corporate registered in the register of bodies corporate maintained under section 9 of that Act carrying on business as an optometrist,

“patient” includes a woman who is pregnant or breast-feeding or who has recently given birth,

“prescribed” means prescribed by regulations made by the Welsh Ministers,

“Primary Care Trust” means a body established under section 18 of the National Health Service Act 2006,

“property” includes rights,

[<sup>F1</sup>“registered pharmacist” means a pharmacist registered in Part 1 of the Register of Pharmacists maintained under article 10(1) of the Pharmacists and Pharmacy Technicians Order 2007;]

“regulations” means regulations made by the Welsh Ministers,

“Special Health Authority” includes a Special Health Authority established under the National Health Service Act 2006 (c. 41),

“Strategic Health Authority” means a body established under section 13 of the National Health Service Act 2006,

“university” includes a university college,

“voluntary organisation” means a body the activities of which are carried on otherwise than for profit, but does not include any public or local authority.

- (2) In this Act (except where the context otherwise requires) any reference to a body established under this Act or the National Health Service Act 2006 (c. 00) includes a reference to a body continued in existence by virtue of this Act or that Act.

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- (3) Any reference in this Act to the purposes of a hospital is a reference to its general purposes and to any specific purpose.

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**Textual Amendments**

- F1** S. 206(1): definition of "registered pharmacist" substituted (in accordance with art. 1(2)(3) of the amending S.I.) by [The Pharmacists and Pharmacy Technicians Order 2007 \(S.I. 2007/289\)](#), art. 67, [Sch. 1 para. 11\(4\)](#)
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**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

- C1** Ss. 71, 72, 78, 80, 109, 198, 206 modified (temp.) (1.3.2007) by [National Health Service \(Consequential Provisions\) Act 2006 \(c. 43\)](#), ss. 5, 8(2), [Sch. 3 para. 4](#) (with Sch. 3 Pt. 1)
- C2** S. 206 modified (1.3.2007) by [National Health Service \(Consequential Provisions\) Act 2006 \(c. 43\)](#), ss. 4, 8(2), [Sch. 2 para. 11](#) (with Sch. 3 Pt. 1)

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