



Mental Health Act 2007

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PART 1

AMENDMENTS TO MENTAL HEALTH ACT 1983

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CHANGES TO KEY PROVISIONS

Mental disorder

1 Removal of categories of mental disorder

- (1) Section 1(2) of the 1983 Act (key definitions) is amended as set out in subsections (2) and (3).
- (2) For the definitions of “mental disorder” and “mentally disordered” substitute—

““mental disorder” means any disorder or disability of the mind; and
“mentally disordered” shall be construed accordingly;”.
- (3) The following definitions are omitted—
 - (a) those of “severe mental impairment” and “severely mentally impaired”,
 - (b) those of “mental impairment” and “mentally impaired”, and
 - (c) that of “psychopathic disorder”.
- (4) Schedule 1 (which contains further amendments to the 1983 Act and amendments to other Acts) has effect.