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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2000 No. 3371**

**The Young Offender Institution Rules 2000**

**PART II**

**INMATES**

*Medical Attention*

**[<sup>F1</sup>Health services**

**27.—(1)** The governor must work in partnership with local health care providers to secure the provision to inmates in the young offender institution of access to the same quality and range of services as the general public receives from the National Health Service.

(2) Every request by an inmate to see a health care professional shall be recorded by the officer to whom it was made and promptly communicated to a health care professional.

(3) If an unconvicted inmate desires the attendance of a named registered medical practitioner or dentist other than one already working in the young offender institution, and will pay any expense incurred, the governor must, if satisfied that there are reasonable grounds for the request and unless the Secretary of State otherwise directs, allow the inmate to be visited and treated by that practitioner or dentist, in consultation with a registered medical practitioner who works in that institution.

(4) Subject to any directions given in the particular case by the Secretary of State, a registered medical practitioner selected by or on behalf of an inmate who is a party to any legal proceedings must be afforded reasonable facilities for examining the inmate in connection with the proceedings, and may do so out of hearing but in the sight of an officer.

(5) An inmate may correspond, in accordance with arrangements made by the Secretary of State for the confidential handling of correspondence, with a registered medical practitioner who has treated the inmate for a life threatening condition, and such correspondence may not be opened, read or stopped unless the governor has reasonable cause to believe its contents do not relate to the treatment of that condition. ]

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**Textual Amendments**

- F1** [Rule 27](#) substituted (1.1.2010) by [The Prison and Young Offender Institution \(Amendment\) Rules 2009 \(S.I. 2009/3082\)](#), rule 1, [Sch. 2 para. 2](#)

**Status:**

Point in time view as at 01/01/2010.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Young Offender Institution Rules 2000, Section 27.