STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Health and Social Care Act 2008 (Regulated Activities) Regulations 2010

PART 4

QUALITY AND SAFETY OF SERVICE PROVISION IN RELATION TO REGULATED ACTIVITY

Meeting nutritional needs

- **14.**—(1) Where food and hydration are provided to service users as a component of the carrying on of the regulated activity, the registered person must ensure that service users are protected from the risks of inadequate nutrition and dehydration, by means of the provision of—
 - (a) a choice of suitable and nutritious food and hydration, in sufficient quantities to meet service users' needs;
 - (b) food and hydration that meet any reasonable requirements arising from a service user's religious or cultural background; and
 - (c) support, where necessary, for the purposes of enabling service users to eat and drink sufficient amounts for their needs.
- (2) For the purposes of this regulation, "food and hydration" includes, where applicable, parenteral nutrition and the administration of dietary supplements where prescribed.