
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2018 No. 893

The Social Workers Regulations 2018

PART 2

The regulator

Information and advice

6.—(1) The regulator must publish information, and give advice, in relation to the regulator and the exercise of the regulator's functions, in accordance with this regulation.

(2) The regulator must publish a document setting out how it will pursue its over-arching objective, and the objectives mentioned in section 37(2) of the Act^{M1} (the “strategic plan”).

(3) The strategic plan must, in particular—

- (a) set out the steps the regulator will take to implement the strategic plan,
- (b) take account of the Authority's investigation and reporting arrangements, and any recommendations in relation to the performance of the regulator's functions^{M2},

and must be published, and reviewed, at such intervals as the regulator considers appropriate.

(4) Any information or advice falling within paragraph (1), other than the strategic plan, must be—

- (a) appropriate to registered social workers, persons providing, assessing or funding education and training for registered social workers and prospective registered social workers, employers of registered social workers, and the public,
- (b) made available in such form, or forms, as the regulator considers appropriate,
- (c) reviewed, and revised as necessary, at such intervals as the regulator considers appropriate, and any revision published as soon as reasonably practicable.

Marginal Citations

M1 Section 37(1) of the Act provides that the over-arching objective of the regulator in exercising its functions is the protection of the public. The objectives mentioned in section 37(2) are: (a) to protect, promote and maintain the health, safety and well-being of the public, (b) to promote and maintain public confidence in social workers in England, and (c) to promote and maintain proper professional standards for social workers in England.

M2 See section 26(2) of the National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002, which empowers the Authority to investigate, and report on, the performance by the regulator of its functions, and to recommend changes to the way in which it performs any of its functions.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Social Workers Regulations 2018, Section 6.