STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2014 No. 293

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

The Safeguarding Board for Northern Ireland (Membership, Procedure, Functions and Committee) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2014

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Coming into operation 1st January 2015

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety makes the following regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 1(2)(b), 1(5)(b) and 7(4)(b) of the Safeguarding Board Act (Northern Ireland) 2011(**1**).

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Safeguarding Board for Northern Ireland (Membership, Procedure, Functions and Committee) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2014 and shall come into operation on 1st January 2015.

Amendment of the Safeguarding Board for Northern Ireland (Membership, Procedure, Functions and Committee) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012

2.—(1) The Safeguarding Board for Northern Ireland (Membership, Procedure, Functions and Committee) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012(**2**) are amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) to (5).

(2) In regulation 3 (Membership)—

(a) for paragraph (2)(a) substitute—

"(a) from the Regional Health and Social Care Board—

(i) the Director or Assistant Director of Social Care and Children; and

(ii) a Designated Doctor for Safeguarding Children;";

(b) in paragraph (2)(b)(iii) after "Health" insert "or Assistant Director for Service Development and Screening";

(c) for paragraph (2)(c) substitute—

(**1**) 2011 c.7 (N.I.)
(**2**) S.R.2012 No. 324

"(c) an Executive Director for Social Work or Assistant Director for Children's Services from each of the following HSC trusts—

(i) the South Eastern HSC Trust;

(ii) the Southern HSC Trust;

(iii) the Northern HSC Trust;

(iv) the Western HSC Trust;";

(d) after paragraph (2)(c) insert—

"(cc) an Executive Director of Social Work or Co-Director for Children's Services from the Belfast HSC Trust;";

(e) in paragraph (2)(d) after "children" insert "or the Chief Superintendent for Public Protection";

(f) in paragraph (2)(e) after "Director" insert "or Assistant Director";

(g) in paragraph (2)(f) after "Executive" insert "or Director";

(h) in paragraph (2)(i) after "Service" insert "or Assistant Director";

(i) after paragraph (2) insert—

"(3) For the purposes of paragraph (2)(a)(ii) a Designated Doctor for Safeguarding Children means a paediatrician designated by the Regional Health and Social Care Board to provide information, advice and assistance regarding the safeguarding of children.".

(3) In Schedule 1 (Meetings and Proceedings of the Safeguarding Board)—

(a) at the beginning of paragraph 8(1) insert "Subject to paragraph (1A),";

(b) after paragraph 8(1) insert—

"(1A) In exceptional circumstances, where more than one third of the total membership declares an interest under paragraph 9 (Declaration of interest), the quorum requirement will be satisfied if two thirds (rounded up to a whole number) of the remaining members are present.".

(4) In Schedule 3 (Meetings and proceedings of the Safeguarding Panels)—

(a) at the beginning of paragraph 7(1) insert "Subject to paragraph (1A),";

(b) after paragraph 7(1) insert—

"(1A) In exceptional circumstances, where more than one third of the total membership declares an interest under paragraph 8 (Declaration of interest), the quorum requirement will be satisfied if two thirds (rounded up to a whole number) of the remaining members are present.".

(5) In Schedule 5 (Meetings and proceedings of the Case Management Review Panel)—

(a) at the beginning of paragraph 7(1) insert " Subject to paragraph (1A),";

(b) after paragraph 7(1) insert—

"(1A) In exceptional circumstances, where more than one third of the total membership declares an interest under paragraph 8 (Declaration of interest), the quorum requirement will be satisfied if two thirds (rounded up to a whole number) of the remaining members are present.".