STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2012 No. 182

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

The Children's Homes (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012

Made - - - -	*3rd May 2012*
Coming into operation	*1st June 2012*

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety, in exercise of the powers conferred by Article 23(2)(c), (d) and (f), and (7)(a), (c), (d) and (j) of the Health and Personal Social Services (Quality, Improvement and Regulation) (Northern Ireland) Order 2003(**1**), makes the following Regulations.

In accordance with Article 23(8) of that Order, the Department has consulted with such persons as it considers appropriate.

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Children's Homes (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 and will come into operation on 1st June 2012.

(2) In these Regulations, "the Principal Regulations" means the Children's Homes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005(**2**).

Amendment of the Principal Regulations

2.—(1) In regulation 2(1) of the Principal Regulations, within the definition of "placing authority", for (a) and (b) there shall be substituted—

"(a) in the case of a child where the arrangements for providing the accommodation are made by an HSC(**3**) trust or a body exercising equivalent functions outside Northern Ireland, that HSC trust or body;

(b) in the case of a child where the arrangements for providing the accommodation are not made by an HSC trust or a body exercising equivalent functions outside Northern Ireland —

(i) if the arrangements are made by a voluntary organisation, that voluntary organisation;

(**1**) 2003 No. 431 (N.I. 9)
(**2**) S.R. 2005 No. 176
(**3**) See section 1(3) of the Health and Social Care (Reform) Act (Northern Ireland) 2009 (c.1)