STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1998 No. 121

HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES

The Ulster Community and Hospitals Health and Social Services Trust (Establishment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1998

Made - - - -	*25th March 1998*
Coming into operation	*1st April 1998*

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 10(1) of, and paragraphs 1, 3, 3A, 4, 5 and 6(2)(*d*) of Schedule 3 to, the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1991(**1**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, having consulted the persons or bodies referred to in Article 10(2) of that Order, hereby makes the following order:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Ulster Community and Hospitals Health and Social Services Trust (Establishment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1998 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1998.

(2) In this order—

"the Order" means the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1991;

"operational area" has the meaning assigned to it by paragraph 3A of Schedule 3 to the Order;

"operational date" has the meaning assigned to it by paragraph 3(1)(*e*) of Schedule 3 to the Order;

"relevant functions" has the meaning assigned to it by Article 3(2) of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1994(**2**);

"the trust" means the Ulster Community and Hospitals Health and Social Services Trust established by Article 2.

Establishment of the trust

2. There is hereby established an HSS trust which shall be called the Ulster Community and Hospitals Health and Social Services Trust.

(**1**) S.I.1991/194 (N.I. 1); Article 10(1) was amended, and paragraph 3A was inserted, by S.I. 1994/429 (N.I. 2); paragraph 1 of Schedule 3 is cited for the definition of "an order"

(**2**) S.I. 1994/429 (N.I. 2); the relevant functions are specified in S.R. 1994 No. 64 as amended by S.R. 1996 No. 439 and S.R. 1997 No. 132

Nature and functions of the trust

3.—(1) The trust is established for the purposes specified in Article 10(1) of the Order.

(2) The trust's functions (which include functions which the Department considers appropriate in relation to the provision of services by the trust for one or more relevant bodies) shall be—

(a) to own and manage hospital accommodation and services at the Ulster Hospital, 700 Upper Newtownards Road, Dundonald, Belfast BT16 0RH; Bangor Hospital, Bangor, Co. Down BT20 4TA; Ards Hospital, Newtownards, Co. Down BT23 4AS and associated premises;

(b) to manage community-based health and personal social services provided from 23-25 Regent Street, Newtownards, Co. Down BT23 4AD and to own those and any associated premises;

(c) to exercise, on behalf of Health and Social Services Boards, such relevant functions as are so exercisable by the trust by virtue of authorisations for the time being in operation under Article 3(1) of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1994.

Operational area of the trust

4. The operational area of the trust shall be—

(a) for the purposes of the statutory provisions specified in Part I of the Schedule, the local government districts of North Down and Ards;

(b) for the purposes of the statutory provisions specified in Part II of the Schedule, Northern Ireland.

Directors of the trust

5. The trust shall have, in addition to the chairman, 5 non-executive directors and 5 executive directors.

Operational date of the trust

6. The operational date of the trust shall be 1st April 1998.

Restriction on disposal of assets

7. The sum specified for the purposes of paragraph 6(2)(*d*) of Schedule 3 to the Order (maximum value of freely disposable assets) in relation to the trust shall be £500,000.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services on

25th March 1998.

John McGrath
Assistant Secretary