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MENTAL HEALTH

The Mental Health (Nurses, Guardianship, Consent to Treatment and Prescribed Forms) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994

Made	*8th September 1994*
Coming into operation . .	*1st November 1994*

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 7(3) and Article 135(1) of the Mental Health (Northern Ireland) Order 1986(**a**), and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Mental Health (Nurses, Guardianship, Consent to Treatment and Prescribed Forms) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994 and shall come into operation on 1st November 1994.

(2) In these regulations,

"the principal regulations" means the Mental Health (Nurses, Guardianship, Consent to Treatment and Prescribed Forms) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1986(**b**).

Amendment of regulation 3 of the principal regulations

2. For the existing regulation 3 there shall be substituted:

"For the purposes of Article 7(3) (power to detain patient in hospital for maximum of 6 hours), a nurse of the prescribed class shall be a nurse registered in Part 3 (first level nurses trained in the nursing of persons suffering from mental illness), Part 5 (first level nurses trained in the nursing of persons suffering from mental handicap), Part 13 (nurses qualified following a course of preparation in mental health nursing) or Part 14 (nurses qualified following a course of preparation in mental handicap nursing) of the register prepared and maintained under section 10 of the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Act 1979(**c**) (the professional register).".

(a) S.I. 1986/595 (N.I. 4)
(b) S.R. 1986 No. 174, the relevant amending rule is S.R. 1994 No. 65
(c) 1979 c. 36; for the parts of the register *see* S.I. 1983/667, the relevant amending rule is S.I. 1989/1455

Amendment of Schedule to the principal regulations

3. In the Schedule to the principal regulations, for Form 6 there shall be substituted Form 6 in the Schedule.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services on 8th September 1994.

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