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HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES

General Medical Practitioner Loans Order (Northern Ireland) 1973

Made . . . . . 17*th September* 1973

Coming into operation . . . 1*st October* 1973

To be laid before the Parliament of the United Kingdom under paragraph 4(5)(*b*) *of the Schedule to the Northern Ireland* (*Temporary Provisions*) *Act* 1972.

The Ministry of Health and Social Services (hereinafter referred to as "the Ministry") on behalf of the Secretary of State and in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 59 of and Schedule 9 to the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(**a**) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf and with the approval of the Ministry of Finance hereby makes the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Health and Personal Social Services (General Practitioner Loans) Order (Northern Ireland) 1973 and shall come into operation on 1st October 1973.

2. In this Order unless the context otherwise requires the following expressions have the respective meanings hereby assigned to them:—

"the Agency" means the Northern Ireland Central Services Agency for the Health and Social Services established under Article 26 of the Order;

"Board" means a Health and Social Services Board established under Article 16 of the Order for any area;

"the Order" means the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972.

3. Boards may make loans to practitioners providing General Medical Services for the purpose of enabling them—

(*a*) to provide, or to acquire a share in, premises used or to be used, in whole or in part, for the provision of those services;

(*b*) to alter, enlarge, improve or repair such premises;

(*c*) to acquire any land required for the erection of, or in connection with the use of, such premises;

(*d*) to repay any loan raised by them for any such purpose.

4. Boards and the Agency shall perform their functions under this Order in accordance with a scheme to be made by the Ministry and shall comply with any directions given by the Ministry thereunder.

(a) S.I. 1972, No. 1265 (N.I. 14).