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The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 10(2), 13(1), 16(a), 17(1), 20, 30(3), 39(1) and (4), 41(1), 42, 65(1) and (3), 89 and 161(3) and (4) of the Health and Social Care Act 2008.

In accordance with section 20(8) of the Act, the Secretary of State has consulted such persons as he considers appropriate.

Part 1 General

1 Citation and commencement

These Regulations may be cited as the Care Quality Commission (Registration) Regulations 2009 and shall come into force on 1st April 2010.

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Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see above.

2 Interpretation

In these Regulations—

“the Act” means the Health and Social Care Act 2008;

“health service body” means an English NHS body, NHS Blood and Transplant or the Health Protection Agency;

“registered manager” means, in respect of a regulated activity, a person registered with the Commission under Chapter 2 of Part 1 of the Act as a manager in respect of that activity;

“registered person” means, in respect of a regulated activity, the person who is the service provider or a registered manager in respect of that activity;

“relevant address” means—

(a) where the service provider is registered to carry on the regulated activity to which the enforcement action relates from one address, that address; or

(b) where the service provider is registered to carry on the regulated activity from more than one address, any of those addresses to which the enforcement action is relevant;

“service provider” means, in respect of a regulated activity, a person registered with the Commission under Chapter 2 of Part 1 of the Act as a service provider in respect of that activity;

“service user” means a person who receives services provided in the carrying on of a regulated activity.

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Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

Part 2 Registration

3 Register of regulated activities

The Commission must establish and maintain a register containing such information as appears to the Commission to be necessary to keep the public informed about the identity of registered persons and their carrying on of regulated activities.

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Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

4 Persons to be regarded as the person carrying on a regulated activity

(1) For the purposes of Chapter 2 of Part 1 of the Act (registration in respect of the provision of health or social care), the following provisions apply.

(2) Where a regulated activity is carried on by a person (A) and one or more other persons who are—

(a) individuals; and

(b) employees of A for the purpose of carrying on the regulated activity,

A is to be regarded as the person who carries on the regulated activity.

(3) For the purposes of paragraph (2), a person is an employee of A where that person—

(a) is employed by A under a contract of service, an apprenticeship, a contract for services or otherwise than under a contract (including under a carer agreement); or

(b) has been granted practising privileges by A.

(4) Where the provision of services under arrangements between a body of trustees established for the purpose of providing services to meet the health or social care needs of a named beneficiary and a provider of such services falls to be regarded as a regulated activity, it is the provider and not the body of trustees which shall be regarded as the person who carries on that regulated activity.

(5) In this regulation—

- (a) “carer agreement” has the same meaning as in the Adult Placement Schemes (England) Regulations 2004; and
- (b) “practising privileges” means the grant, by a person managing a hospital (as defined in section 275 of the National Health Service Act 2006), to a registered medical practitioner of permission to practise as a medical practitioner in that hospital.

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Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

5 Registered manager condition

(1) Subject to paragraph (2), for the purposes of section 13(1) of the Act, the registration of a service provider in respect of a regulated activity must be subject to a registered manager condition where the service provider is—

- (a) a body of persons corporate or unincorporate; or
- (b) an individual who—
 - (i) is not a fit person to manage the carrying on of the regulated activity, or
 - (ii) is not, or does not intend to be, in full-time day to day charge of the carrying on of the regulated activity.

(2) Paragraph (1)(a) does not apply where the service provider is a health service body.

(3) A service provider (P) is not a fit person to manage the carrying on of a regulated activity unless P—

- (a) is of good character;
- (b) is physically and mentally fit to manage the carrying on of the regulated activity;
- (c) has the necessary qualifications, skills and experience to do so; and
- (d) is able to supply to the Commission, or arrange for the availability of, information relating to themselves specified in Schedule 1.

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Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

6 Cancellation of registration

(1) The grounds specified for the purposes of section 17(1)(e) of the Act as grounds on which the Commission may cancel the registration of a registered person in respect of a regulated activity are that the registered person—

- (a) has made a statement which is false or misleading in a material respect, or provided false information, in relation to any application for—
 - (i) registration, or
 - (ii) the variation or removal of a condition in relation to their registration;
- (b) has failed to pay any fees payable under provision under section 85 of the Act; or
- (c) if the registered person is a service provider, is not, and has not been for a continuous period of 12 months ending with the date of the decision to cancel registration, carrying on that regulated activity.

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Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

Part 3

Publication of Information and Explanations

7 Publication of information relating to enforcement action

(1) Except in the circumstances specified in paragraphs 5 to 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 2, the Commission must publish the information prescribed in that Part of that Schedule in the time prescribed in paragraph 8 of that Part.

(2) The Commission may publish the information prescribed in Part 2 of Schedule 2 subject, in the case of the information prescribed in paragraph 13, to the conditions specified in subparagraph (2) of that paragraph.

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Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

8 Exemptions from the requirement to notify bodies of certain matters

Section 39(1) of the Act does not apply to—

- (a) a notice to a person who applies for registration as a registered person given under—
 - (i) section 26(2) or (3) of the Act (notice of proposals), or
 - (ii) section 28(1) or (3) of the Act (notice of decisions);
- (b) a notice of proposal given under section 26(4)(c) or (d) of the Act, or a notice of decision given under section 28(3) of the Act, which—
 - (i) relates to the variation or removal of any condition for the time being in force in relation to a registration or the imposition of an additional

condition in relation to a registration, and

- (ii) appears to the Commission not to have a material impact on the regulated activity being carried on;
- (c) a notice of proposal given under section 26(5) of the Act or a notice of decision given under section 28(3) of the Act to refuse an application by the registered person under section 19(1) of the Act; and
- (d) a warning notice given under section 29 of the Act which appears to the Commission not to have a material impact on the regulated activity being carried on.

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Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

9 Notification to Primary Care Trust, English local authority and Strategic Health Authority

- (1) The Primary Care Trust or English local authority that is required to be given—
 - (a) notice of an application for an order for cancellation of the registration of a registered person under section 30 of the Act; or
 - (b) a copy of a notice under section 39 of the Act,

is to be determined in accordance with paragraphs (2) to (8).

(2) Where the application under section 30 of the Act, or the notice of which a copy is required to be given under section 39 of the Act, is in respect of a regulated activity that involves, or is connected with, the provision of health care, the Commission must give notice or a copy of the notice to the relevant Primary Care Trust.

(3) Where the application under section 30 of the Act, or the notice of which a copy is required to be given under section 39 of the Act, is in respect of a regulated activity that involves, or is connected with, the provision of social care, the Commission must give notice or a copy of the notice to the relevant local authority.

(4) Subject to paragraph (6), the relevant Primary Care Trust is any Primary Care Trust in whose area the regulated activity is being carried on.

(5) Subject to paragraph (6), the relevant local authority is any local authority in whose area the regulated activity is being carried on.

(6) Where a registered service provider is carrying on a regulated activity from more than one set of premises, and a notice of which a copy is required to be given under section 39 of the Act is in respect of the carrying on of a regulated activity from particular premises—

- (a) the relevant Primary Care Trust is any Primary Care Trust in whose area those particular premises are situated; and
- (b) the relevant local authority is any local authority in whose area those particular premises are situated.

(7) Subject to paragraph (8), the Strategic Health Authority that must be given notice under section 30(3)(b) of the Act or a copy of a notice under section 39(1)(b) of the Act is any Strategic

Health Authority in whose area the regulated activity to which the application or notice relates is being carried on.

(8) Where a registered service provider is carrying on a regulated activity from more than one set of premises and a copy of the notice required to be given to a Strategic Health Authority under section 39(1)(b) is in respect of the carrying on of a regulated activity from particular premises, the Strategic Health Authority that must be given a copy of the notice is any Strategic Health Authority in whose area those particular premises are situated.

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Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

10 Power to require an explanation

(1) Where the Commission considers an explanation of a relevant matter necessary or expedient for the purposes of any of its regulatory functions, the persons specified in paragraph (3) must, if so requested, provide an explanation of that matter to the Commission or to persons authorised by it.

(2) Explanations required under paragraph (1) must be provided at such times and such places as may be specified by the Commission.

(3) The persons referred to in paragraph (1) are—

- (a) a person carrying on a regulated activity;
- (b) a chair, director or employee of a person carrying on a regulated activity;
- (c) an English NHS body;
- (d) a member of an English NHS body other than an NHS foundation trust;
- (e) a member of a committee or sub-committee of an English NHS body other than an NHS foundation trust;
- (f) a member of a committee or sub-committee of the board of directors of an NHS foundation trust;
- (g) an employee of an English NHS body other than one falling within sub-paragraph (b);
- (h) a local authority;
- (i) a member or officer of a local authority;
- (j) a member of a committee or sub-committee of a local authority or a member of a joint committee of two or more local authorities;
- (k) an elected mayor of a local authority within the meaning given in section 39 of the Local Government Act 2000;
- (l) a person (other than a person prescribed in sub-paragraphs (b) to (k)) who is assisting in the carrying on of a regulated activity;
- (m) a person providing equipment or premises to a registered person;

- (n) a chair, director or employee of a person providing equipment or premises to a registered person; and
- (o) a person (other than a person prescribed in sub-paragraph (n)) who is assisting a person providing equipment or premises to a registered person.

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Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

Part 4 Registration Requirements

11 General

A registered person must, insofar as they are applicable, comply with the requirements specified in regulations 12 to 20 in relation to any regulated activity in respect of which they are registered.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

12 Statement of purpose

- (1) The registered person must give the Commission a statement of purpose containing the information listed in Schedule 3.
- (2) The registered person must keep under review and, where appropriate, revise the statement of purpose.
- (3) The registered person must provide written details of any revision to the statement of purpose to the Commission within 28 days of any such revision.

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Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

13 Financial position

- (1) Subject to paragraph (2), the service provider must take all reasonable steps to carry on the regulated activity in such a manner as to ensure the financial viability of the carrying on of that activity for the purposes of—
 - (a) achieving the aims and objectives set out in the statement of purpose; and
 - (b) meeting the registration requirements prescribed pursuant to section 20 of the Act.
- (2) This regulation does not apply where the service provider is—
 - (a) an English local authority; or
 - (b) a health service body.

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Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

14 Notice of absence

(1) Subject to paragraphs (7) and (8), where—

- (a) the service provider, if the provider is the person in day to day charge of the carrying on of the regulated activity; or
- (b) the registered manager,

proposes to be absent from carrying on or managing the regulated activity for a continuous period of 28 days or more, the registered person must give notice in writing to the Commission of the proposed absence.

(2) Except in the case of an emergency, the notice referred to in paragraph (1) must be given no later than 28 days before the proposed absence commences or within such shorter period as may be agreed with the Commission and must contain the following information in relation to the proposed absence—

- (a) its length or expected length;
- (b) the reason for it;
- (c) the arrangements which have been made for the management of the carrying on of the regulated activity during the period of absence;
- (d) the name, address and qualifications of the person who will be responsible for the management of the carrying on of the regulated activity during that absence;
- (e) in the case of the absence of the registered manager, the arrangements that have been, or are proposed to be, made for appointing another person to manage the carrying on of the regulated activity during that absence, including the proposed date by which the appointment is to be made.

(3) Where the absence referred to in paragraph (1) arises as the result of an emergency, the registered person must give notice of the absence to the Commission within 5 working days of its occurrence specifying the matters set out in paragraph (2)(a) to (e).

(4) Where—

- (a) the service provider, if the provider is the person in day to day charge of the carrying on of the regulated activity; or
- (b) the registered manager,

has been absent for a continuous period of 28 days or more, and the Commission has not been given notice of the absence, the registered person shall forthwith give notice in writing to the Commission specifying the matters set out in paragraph (2)(a) to (e).

(5) The registered person must notify the Commission of the return to duty of the service provider or (as the case may be) the registered manager not later than 7 working days after the date of that return.

(6) In this regulation “working day” means any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday, Christmas Day, Good Friday or a day which is a bank holiday in England and Wales within the meaning of the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971.

(7) Subject to paragraph (8), this regulation does not apply where the service provider is a health service body.

(8) Where the service provider is a health service body and is subject to a registered manager condition pursuant to regulation 5 or section 12(3) or (5) of the Act, this regulation shall have effect in relation any absence, proposed absence or return to duty of that registered manager.

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Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

15 Notice of changes

(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the registered person must give notice in writing to the Commission, as soon as it is reasonably practicable to do so, if any of the following events takes place or is proposed to take place—

- (a) a person other than the registered person carries on or manages the regulated activity;
- (b) a registered person ceases to carry on or manage the regulated activity;
- (c) the name of a registered person (where that person is an individual) changes;
- (d) where the service provider is a partnership, any change in the membership of the partnership;
- (e) where the service provider is a body other than a partnership—
 - (i) a change in the name or address of the body,
 - (ii) a change of director, secretary or other similar officer of the body, or
 - (iii) a change of nominated individual;
- (f) where the service provider is—
 - (i) an individual, the appointment of a trustee in bankruptcy in relation to that individual, or
 - (ii) a company or partnership, the appointment of a receiver, manager, liquidator or provisional liquidator in relation to that company or partnership.

(2) Paragraph (1)(e)(ii) does not apply where the service provider is a health service body.

(3) In this regulation, “nominated individual” means the individual who is employed as a director, manager or secretary of the body and whose name has been notified to the Commission as being the person who is responsible for supervising the management of the carrying on of the regulated activity by that body.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

16 Notification of death of service user

- (1) Except where paragraph (2) applies, the registered person must notify the Commission without delay of the death of a service user—
- (a) whilst services were being provided in the carrying on of a regulated activity; or
 - (b) as a consequence of the carrying on of a regulated activity.
- (2) Subject to paragraph (4), where the service provider is a health service body, the registered person must notify the Commission of the death of a service user where the death—
- (a) occurred—
 - (i) whilst services were being provided in the carrying on of a regulated activity, or
 - (ii) as a consequence of the carrying on of a regulated activity; and
 - (b) cannot, in the reasonable opinion of the registered person, be attributed to the course which that service user's illness or medical condition would naturally have taken if that service user was receiving appropriate care or treatment.
- (3) Notification of the death of a service user must include a description of the circumstances of the death.
- (4) Paragraph (2) does not apply if, and to the extent that, the registered person has reported the death to the National Patient Safety Agency.
- (5) This regulation does not apply where regulation 17 applies.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

17 Notification of death or unauthorised absence of a service user who is detained or liable to be detained under the Mental Health Act 1983

- (1) The registered person must notify the Commission without delay of the death or unauthorised absence of a service user who is liable to be detained by the registered person—
- (a) under the Mental Health Act 1983 ("the 1983 Act"); or
 - (b) pursuant to an order or direction made under another enactment (which applies in relation to England), where that detention takes effect as if the order or direction were made pursuant to the provisions of the 1983 Act.
- (2) Notification of the death of a service user must include a description of the circumstances of the death.

- (3) In this regulation—
- (a) references to persons “liable to be detained” include a community patient who has been recalled to hospital in accordance with section 17E of the 1983 Act, but do not include a patient who has been conditionally discharged and not recalled to hospital in accordance with section 42, 73 or 74 of the 1983 Act;
 - (b) “community patient” has the same meaning as in section 17A of the 1983 Act;
 - (c) “hospital” means a hospital within the meaning of Part 2 of that Act; and
 - (d) “unauthorised absence” means an unauthorised absence from a hospital.

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Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

18 Notification of other incidents

- (1) Subject to paragraphs (3) and (4), the registered person must notify the Commission without delay of the incidents specified in paragraph (2) which occur whilst services are being provided in the carrying on of a regulated activity, or as a consequence of the carrying on of a regulated activity.
- (2) The incidents referred to in paragraph (1) are—
- (a) any injury to a service user which, in the reasonable opinion of a health care professional, has resulted in—
 - (i) an impairment of the sensory, motor or intellectual functions of the service user which is not likely to be temporary,
 - (ii) changes to the structure of a service user’s body,
 - (iii) the service user experiencing prolonged pain or prolonged psychological harm, or
 - (iv) the shortening of the life expectancy of the service user;
 - (b) any injury to a service user which, in the reasonable opinion of a health care professional, requires treatment by that, or another, health care professional in order to prevent—
 - (i) the death of the service user, or
 - (ii) an injury to the service user which, if left untreated, would lead to one or more of the outcomes mentioned in sub-paragraph (a);
 - (c) any request to a supervisory body made pursuant to Part 4 of Schedule A1 to the 2005 Act by the registered person for a standard authorisation, including the result of such a request;
 - (d) any application made to a court in relation to depriving a service user of their liberty pursuant to section 16(2)(a) of the 2005 Act;
 - (e) any abuse or allegation of abuse in relation to a service user;

- (f) any incident which is reported to, or investigated by, the police;
 - (g) any event which prevents, or appears to the service provider to be likely to threaten to prevent, the service provider's ability to continue to carry on the regulated activity safely, or in accordance with the registration requirements, including—
 - (i) an insufficient number of suitably qualified, skilled and experienced persons being employed for the purposes of carrying on the regulated activity,
 - (ii) an interruption in the supply to premises owned or used by the service provider for the purposes of carrying on the regulated activity of electricity, gas, water or sewerage where that interruption has lasted for longer than a continuous period of 24 hours,
 - (iii) physical damage to premises owned or used by the service provider for the purposes of carrying on the regulated activity which has, or is likely to have, a detrimental effect on the treatment or care provided to service users, and
 - (iv) the failure, or malfunctioning, of fire alarms or other safety devices in premises owned or used by the service provider for the purposes of carrying on the regulated activity where that failure or malfunctioning has lasted for longer than a continuous period of 24 hours.
- (3) Paragraph (2)(f) does not apply where the service provider is an English NHS body.
- (4) Where the service provider is a health service body, paragraph (1) does not apply if, and to the extent that, the registered person has reported the incident to the National Patient Safety Agency.
- (5) In this regulation—
- (a) “the 2005 Act” means the Mental Capacity Act 2005;
 - (b) “abuse”, in relation to a service user, means—
 - (i) sexual abuse,
 - (ii) physical or psychological ill-treatment,
 - (iii) theft, misuse or misappropriation of money or property, or
 - (iv) neglect and acts of omission which cause harm or place at risk of harm;
 - (c) “health care professional” means a person who is registered as a member of any profession to which section 60(2) of the Health Act 1999 applies;
 - (d) “registration requirements” means any requirements or conditions imposed on the registered person by or under Chapter 2 of Part 1 of the Act;
 - (e) “standard authorisation” has the meaning given under Part 4 of Schedule A1 to the 2005 Act;
 - (f) “supervisory body” has the meaning given in paragraph 180 (in relation to a hospital in England) or paragraph 182 (in relation to a care home) of Schedule A1 to the 2005 Act;

(g) for the purposes of paragraph (2)(a)—

(i) “prolonged pain” and “prolonged psychological harm” means pain or harm which a service user has experienced, or is likely to experience, for a continuous period of at least 28 days, and

(ii) a sensory, motor or intellectual impairment is not temporary if such an impairment has lasted, or is likely to last, for a continuous period of at least 28 days.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

19 Fees etc

(1) Where a service user will be responsible for paying the costs of their care or treatment (either in full or partially), the registered person must provide a statement to the service user, or to a person acting on the service user’s behalf—

- (a) specifying the terms and conditions in respect of the services to be provided to the service user, including as to the amount and method of payment of fees; and
- (b) including, where applicable, the form of contract for the provision of services by the service provider.

(2) The statement referred to in paragraph (1) must be—

- (a) in writing; and
- (b) as far as reasonably practicable, provided prior to the commencement of the services to which the statement relates.

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Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

20 Requirements relating to termination of pregnancies

(1) This regulation applies to a registered person who—

- (a) carries on or manages the regulated activity consisting of the termination of pregnancies; and
- (b) is not an English NHS body.

(2) The registered person must ensure that, unless two certificates of opinion have been received in respect of the service user—

- (a) no termination of pregnancy is carried out; and
- (b) no fee is demanded or accepted from a service user.

(3) The registered person must ensure that a certificate of opinion in respect of a service user undergoing termination of a pregnancy is completed and included with the service user’s

medical record.

(4) The registered person must ensure that no termination of pregnancy is undertaken after the 20th week of gestation, unless—

- (a) the service user is treated by persons who are suitably qualified, skilled and experienced in the late termination of pregnancy; and
- (b) appropriate procedures are in place to deal with any medical emergency which occurs during or as a result of the termination.

(5) The registered person must ensure that no termination of a pregnancy is undertaken after the 24th week of gestation.

(6) The registered person must ensure that a register of service users undergoing a termination of pregnancy is maintained, which is—

- (a) completed in respect of each service user at the time the termination is undertaken; and
- (b) retained for a period of not less than 3 years beginning on the date of the last entry.

(7) The registered person must ensure that a record is maintained of the total numbers of terminations of pregnancies undertaken.

(8) The registered person must ensure that the record referred to in paragraph (7) (which may be in paper or electronic form) is—

- (a) accurate;
- (b) kept securely and can be located promptly when required;
- (c) retained for an appropriate period of time; and
- (d) securely destroyed when it is appropriate to do so.

(9) The registered person must ensure that notice in writing is sent to the Chief Medical Officer of the Department of Health of each termination of pregnancy.

(10) If the registered person—

- (a) receives information concerning the death of a service user who has undergone termination of a pregnancy during the period of 12 months ending on the date on which the information is received; and
- (b) has reason to believe that the service user's death may be associated with the termination,

the registered person must give notice in writing to the Commission of that information, within the period of 14 days beginning on the day on which the information is received.

(11) The registered person must prepare and implement appropriate procedures to ensure that foetal tissue is treated with respect.

(12) In this regulation, "certificate of opinion" means a certificate required by regulations made under section 2(1) of the Abortion Act 1967.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

Specified date

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Part 5

Other Miscellaneous Requirements

21 Death of service provider

- (1) Where the service provider is a partnership and a partner dies, the surviving partner shall without delay notify the Commission of the death in writing.
- (2) Where the service provider is an individual and that individual dies, that individual's personal representative must notify the Commission in writing—
 - (a) without delay of the death; and
 - (b) within 28 days of the date of death of their intentions regarding the future carrying on of the regulated activity.
- (3) The personal representative of the deceased service provider may carry on the regulated activity without being registered in respect of it—
 - (a) for a period not exceeding 28 days; and
 - (b) for any future period as may be determined in accordance with paragraph (4).
- (4) The Commission may extend the period specified in paragraph (3)(a) by such further period, not exceeding one year, as the Commission shall determine, and shall notify any such determination to the personal representative in writing.
- (5) The personal representative of the deceased service provider shall appoint a person to take full-time day to day charge of the carrying on of the regulated activity during any period in which, in accordance with paragraph (3), they carry on the regulated activity without being registered in respect of it.

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Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

22 Appointment of liquidators

- (1) Any person to whom paragraph (2) applies must—
 - (a) notify the Commission of their appointment and the reasons for their appointment;
 - (b) appoint a manager to manage the regulated activity in any cases where there is not a registered manager; and
 - (c) before the end of the period of 28 days beginning with the date of their appointment, notify the Commission of their intentions regarding the future carrying on of the regulated activity.
- (2) This paragraph applies to any person appointed as—

- (a) a receiver or manager of the property of the relevant company;
- (b) the liquidator or provisional liquidator of a relevant company; or
- (c) the trustee in bankruptcy of a relevant individual.

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Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

Part 6 Compliance, Guidance and Offences

23 Compliance with regulations

Where there is more than one registered person in respect of a regulated activity, or in respect of that activity as carried on at or from particular premises, anything which is required under these Regulations to be done by the registered person shall, if done by one of the registered persons, not be required to be done by any of the other registered persons.

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Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

24 Guidance

(1) For the purposes of compliance with the requirements set out in these Regulations, the registered person must have regard to guidance issued by the Commission in relation to the requirements set out in Part 4 of these Regulations.

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1), “guidance” means the guidance referred to in section 23 of the Act.

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Initial Commencement

Specified date

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25 Offences

(1) A contravention of, or failure to comply with, any of the provisions of regulations 12 and 14 to 20 shall be an offence.

(2) A person guilty of an offence under paragraph (1) is liable, on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale.

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Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

[26 Penalty notices]

[(1) The offence created by regulation 25 is prescribed as a fixed penalty offence for the purposes of section 86 of the Act.

(2) The monetary amount of the penalty for that fixed penalty offence is—

- (a) £1250 in the case of an offence committed by a person registered with the Commission as a service provider under Chapter 2 of Part 1 of the Act; and
- (b) £625 in the case of an offence committed by a person registered with the Commission under that Chapter as a manager.]

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Amendment

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SCHEDULE 1

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN RESPECT OF A SERVICE PROVIDER WHO PROPOSES TO MANAGE THE CARRYING ON OF A REGULATED ACTIVITY

Regulation 5

1

Proof of identity including a recent photograph.

2

Where the certificate is required for a purpose referred to in—

- (a) section 113A(2)(b) of the Police Act 1997, a criminal record certificate issued under section 113A of that Act together with, after the appointed day and where applicable, relevant information relating to children or vulnerable adults; or
- (b) section 113B(2)(b) of the Police Act 1997, an enhanced criminal record certificate issued under section 113B of that Act together with, where applicable, suitability information relating to children or vulnerable adults.

3

Satisfactory evidence of conduct in previous employment concerned with the provision of services relating to—

- (a) health or social care; or
- (b) children or vulnerable adults.

4

Where a person (P) has been previously employed in a position whose duties involved work with children or vulnerable adults, satisfactory verification, so far as reasonably practicable, of the reason why P's employment in that position ended.

5

Satisfactory documentary evidence of any relevant qualification.

6

A full employment history, together with a satisfactory written explanation of any gaps in employment.

7

Satisfactory information about any physical or mental health conditions which are relevant to the person's ability to manage the carrying on of the regulated activity.

8

For the purposes of this Schedule—

- (a) "the appointed day" means the day on which section 30 of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 comes into force;
- (b) "relevant information relating to children or vulnerable adults" has the same meaning as in section 31(2) and (3) of that Act;
- (c) "satisfactory" means satisfactory in the opinion of the Commission; and
- (d) "suitability information relating to children or vulnerable adults" means the information specified in sections 113BA and 113BB respectively of the Police Act 1997.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

Specified date

Specified date: 1 April 2010: see reg 1.

SCHEDULE 2

PUBLICATION OF INFORMATION RELATING TO ENFORCEMENT ACTION

Regulation 7

Part 1

Information Relating to Enforcement Action Which Must be Published

1

In relation to the cancellation or suspension of a registered person's registration under section 17, 18, 30 or 31 of the Act, the prescribed information, subject to paragraph 5, is—

- (a) a description of the regulated activity to which the cancellation or suspension relates;
- (b) the name of the service provider in respect of that regulated activity;

- (c) where the cancellation or suspension relates to a registered manager, the name of the registered manager;
- (d) an explanation of why the registration has been cancelled or suspended and, where applicable, the period of suspension; and
- (e) the relevant address.

2

In relation to the conviction of any person in respect of an offence under Part 1 of the Act, except an offence under section 76 (disclosure of confidential personal information: offence), the prescribed information, subject to paragraph 6, is—

- (a) a description of the offence;
- (b) a description of the regulated activity that the person so convicted is carrying on, or involved in carrying on;
- (c) the name of the service provider in respect of that regulated activity;
- (d) where the person convicted is the registered manager, the name of the registered manager; and
- (e) the relevant address.

3

(1) This paragraph applies to a decision under section 12(5) of the Act to vary or remove a condition for the time being in force in relation to a person's registration, or to impose an additional condition, which—

- (a) takes effect from the time when the notice is given in accordance with section 31 of the Act; or
- (b) appears to the Commission to have a material impact on the regulated activity being carried on.

(2) The prescribed information, subject to paragraph 5, in cases to which this paragraph applies is—

- (a) a description of the regulated activity that the variation or removal of a condition, or the imposition of an additional condition, relates to;
- (b) the name of the service provider in respect of that regulated activity;
- (c) where the decision relates to a condition in respect of a registered manager, the name of the registered manager;
- (d) a description of the condition being varied, removed or imposed and, where applicable, the variation or removal;
- (e) an explanation of why the decision was taken; and
- (f) the relevant address.

4

In relation to the payment by any person of a penalty in accordance with a penalty notice issued under section 86 of the Act other than in respect of an offence under section 63(7), 64(4) or 65(4) of that Act, the prescribed information, subject to paragraph 7, is—

- (a) a description of the fixed penalty offence;
- (b) a description of the regulated activity that the person given the penalty notice was carrying on or involved in carrying on;
- (c) the name of the service provider in respect of that regulated activity;
- (d) where the penalty notice is given to a registered manager, the name of the registered manager; and
- (e) the relevant address.

5

Paragraphs 1 and 3 do not apply, and the information prescribed in that paragraph must not be published, where an appeal is brought under section 32 of the Act and the First-tier Tribunal has directed that the Commission's decision is not, or is to cease, to have effect, or the order made by a justice of peace is to cease to have effect.

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Paragraph 2 does not apply, and the information prescribed in that paragraph must not be published, where an appeal is brought against a conviction for an offence under Part 1 of the Act and the conviction is quashed.

7

Paragraph 4 does not apply, and the information prescribed in that paragraph must not be published, where a penalty notice is withdrawn in accordance with regulations made under section 87(1)(e) of the Act after the penalty has been paid but before publication of the information prescribed in paragraph 4.

8

- (1) The time prescribed for information required to be published under paragraphs 1 and 3 where no appeal is brought under section 32 of the Act is within the period starting immediately after the end of the period of 28 days referred to in section 32(2) of the Act and ending 4 months after service on the person of the notice of the Commission's decision or the date of the order under section 30 of the Act.
- (2) The time prescribed for information required to be published under paragraphs 1 and 3 where an appeal is brought under section 32 of the Act is within 3 months of the determination or abandonment of the appeal.
- (3) The time prescribed for information required to be published under paragraph 2 where no appeal is brought against a conviction is within the period starting immediately after the end of the period of 28 days after the date of the conviction and ending 4 months after the date of the conviction.
- (4) The time prescribed for information required to be published under paragraph 2 where an appeal is brought against a conviction is within 3 months of the determination or abandonment of the appeal.

(5) The time prescribed for information to be published under paragraph 4 is within 3 months of the date of payment of the penalty.

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Part 2

Information Relating to Enforcement Action Which May be Published

9

In relation to a conviction in respect of an offence under Part 1 of the Act, except an offence under section 76, the prescribed information is the penalty imposed.

10

In relation to decisions under section 12(5) of the Act which do not fall within paragraph 3(1), the prescribed information is the information listed in paragraph 3(2)(a) to (f).

11

Where a person who is not a registered person is convicted of an offence under Part 1 of the Act, except an offence under section 76, the prescribed information is the name of, and such other details as the Commission considers relevant about, the individual convicted of the offence.

12

In relation to the payment by any person of a penalty in accordance with a penalty notice issued under section 86 of the Act in respect of an offence under section 63(7), 64(4) or 65(4) of that Act, which is committed in connection with the carrying on of a regulated activity, the prescribed information is the information listed in paragraph 4(a) to (e).

13

(1) In relation to a warning notice given under section 29 of the Act, the prescribed information is—

- (a) a description of the regulated activity to which the warning notice relates;
- (b) the name of the service provider in respect of that regulated activity;
- (c) where the warning notice is given to a registered manager, the name of the registered manager;
- (d) a description of the conduct which appears to the Commission to constitute a failure to comply with the relevant requirements and a description of the requirements concerned; and
- (e) the relevant address.

(2) Before publishing the information prescribed under sub-paragraph (1), the Commission must—

- (a) provide the person to whom the notice was given an opportunity to make

- representations to the Commission relating to the matters dealt with in the notice; and
- (b) take any such representations into account when determining whether to publish the prescribed information.

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SCHEDULE 3 INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Regulation 12

1

The aims and objectives of the service provider in carrying on the regulated activity.

2

The kinds of services provided for the purposes of the carrying on of the regulated activity and the range of service users' needs which those services are intended to meet.

3

The full name of the service provider and of any registered manager, together with their business address, telephone number and, where available, electronic mail addresses.

4

The legal status of the service provider.

5

Details of the locations at which the services provided for the purposes of the regulated activity are carried on.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations, which are to come into force on 1st April 2010, are made under the Health and Social Care Act 2008 ("the Act") and apply in relation to regulated activities carried on in England. Part 1 of the Act establishes the Care Quality Commission ("the Commission") and provides for the registration of persons carrying on a regulated activity.

Part 1 of the Regulations contains provisions relating to citation, commencement and interpretation (regulations 1 and 2).

Part 2 of the Regulations contains provisions relating to registration. Regulation 3 requires the Commission to keep a register of persons registered with the Commission under Chapter 2 of Part 1 of the Act as a service provider or a manager in respect of a regulated activity and regulation 4 contains details of the persons to be regarded as carrying on the regulated activity for the purposes of Chapter 2 of Part 1 of the Act (registration in respect of the provision of health or social care). Regulation 5 (and Schedule 1) sets out the circumstances in which the registration of a service provider is to be subject to a registered manager condition. Regulation 6 specifies the grounds on which the Commission may cancel a service provider's registration pursuant to section 17(1)(e) of the Act.

Part 3 contains provisions relating to the publication of information and explanations. Regulation 7 (and Schedule 2) prescribe information relating to enforcement action that the Commission must publish and the time by which it must be published, and information that the Commission may publish. Regulation 8 prescribes cases in which copies of notices of proposals given under section 26 of the Act, notices of decisions given under section 28 of the Act and warning notices given under section 29 of the Act do not need to be given to persons listed in section 39 of the Act. Regulation 9 defines which Primary Care Trust, local authority and Strategic Health Authority is required to be notified by the Commission of an application for an order for cancellation of the registration of a service provider under section 30 of the Act or given a copy of a notice referred to in section 39(2) of the Act. Regulation 10 enables the Commission to require the persons prescribed to provide an explanation of a relevant matter to the Commission, or to persons authorised by it, in circumstances where the Commission considers the explanation necessary or expedient for the purposes of its regulatory functions. It also gives the Commission power to require the explanation to be given at such times and such places as it specifies.

Part 4 contains registration requirements. Regulation 11 provides that a registered person must comply with the requirements contained in regulations 12 to 20 in so far as they apply to an activity in respect of which they are registered. Regulation 12 provides that the registered person must give to the Commission a statement of purpose containing the information set out in Schedule 3 and regulation 13 contains provision as to the financial viability of a service provider (excluding English local authorities or a health service body). Regulations 14 and 15 require the giving of notices to the Commission in relation to the absence of a registered person and in relation to certain changes affecting the carrying on of the regulated activity. Regulations 16 and 17 prescribe the circumstances in which notification of the death of a service user must be given to the Commission (and regulation 17 also requires notification of the unauthorised absence of a service user who is liable to be detained under the Mental Health Act 1983) and regulation 18 prescribes the incidents, occurring whilst services are being provided in the carrying on of a regulated activity, or as a consequence of the carrying on of a regulated activity, which must be notified to the Commission. Regulation 19 deals with information to be given to service users in relation to fees for care or treatment. Regulation 20 contains requirements relating to a registered person who carries on the regulated activity of termination of pregnancies.

Part 5 contains other miscellaneous requirements. Regulation 21 deals with the notification to be given to the Commission where a service provider dies. Regulation 22 contains provisions which apply where a liquidator or similar person has been appointed in relation to the carrying on of a regulated activity.

Part 6 contains provisions relating to compliance, guidance and offences. Regulation 23 deals with who is responsible for complying with the Regulations in circumstances where there is more than one registered person in respect of a regulated activity. Regulation 24 states that, for the purposes of compliance with the Regulations, a registered person must take account of guidance issued by the Commission under section 23 of the Act. Regulation 25 provides that a breach of certain of the requirements in the Regulations is to be an offence punishable, on summary conviction, with a fine not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale.

An impact assessment of the effect that this instrument will have on the costs and benefits to the

service provider in question, together with an Equality Screening Assessment was published alongside a draft Statutory Instrument entitled the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (Regulated Activities) Regulations 2009 and is available on the Department of Health website at <http://dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Legislation/index.htm>.