STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2025 No. 984

HEALTH CARE AND ASSOCIATED PROFESSIONS

DENTISTS

The Dentists Act 1984 (Medical Authorities) Order 2025

Made - - - -	*27th August 2025*
Coming into force - -	*3rd September 2025*

At the Council Chamber, Whitehall, the 27th day of August 2025

By the Lords of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council

Their Lordships make the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by article 7(4)(b) of the Health Care and Associated Professions (Miscellaneous Amendments and Practitioner Psychologists) Order 2009(**a**).

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Dentists Act 1984 (Medical Authorities) Order 2025 and comes into force on 3rd September 2025.

(2) This Order extends to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

Designation of University of Portsmouth

2. The University of Portsmouth is designated for the purposes of article 7(4)(b) of the Health Care and Associated Professions (Miscellaneous Amendments and Practitioner Psychologists) Order 2009 and accordingly is a "medical authority" for the purposes of section 3 of the Dentists Act 1984(**b**) (power of medical authorities to hold examinations and grant licences in dentistry).

Richard Tilbrook
Clerk of the Privy Council

(**a**) S.I. 2009/1182.
(**b**) 1984 c. 24; section 3(3) was amended by article 2(a) and the Schedule to S.I. 1987/2047 and modified by article 1(2)(a) of S.I. 2008/1774 and articles 1(2)(a), 7(4), 9 and 10 of S.I. 2009/1182.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order of Council)

This Order designates the University of Portsmouth ("the University") as a medical authority which is authorised to hold examinations in dentistry and grant licences certifying the fitness of the holders to practise dentistry. This would enable persons who have passed such examinations held by the University or who hold such licences granted by the University as a medical authority, to be registered on the General Dental Council's register of dentists provided that the person meets the relevant requirements under the Dentists Act 1984.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sector is foreseen.

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