STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1975 No. 1473

MEDICINES

The Medicines (Committee on Dental and Surgical Materials) Order 1975

Made - - - - 9*th September* 1975

Coming into Operation 1*st November* 1975

The Secretaries of State respectively concerned with health in England and in Wales, the Secretary of State concerned with health and with agriculture in Scotland, the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland and the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, acting jointly, in exercise of powers conferred by section 4(1) of the Medicines Act 1968**(a)** and now vested in them **(b)** and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, having regard to the recommendations made by the Medicines Commission and, after consulting such organisations as they consider appropriate including those which appear to them to be representative of interests likely to be substantially affected by the Order, hereby make the following Order:—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Medicines (Committee on Dental and Surgical Materials) Order 1975 and shall come into operation on 1st November 1975.

(2) In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires, "the Act" means the Medicines Act 1968, and other expressions have the same meanings as in the Act.

(3) Except in so far as the context otherwise requires, any reference in this Order to any provision of any enactment shall be construed as a reference to that provision as amended or extended by any enactment or instrument and as including a reference to any provision which may re-enact or replace it.

(4) The rules for the construction of Acts of Parliament contained in the Interpretation Act 1889**(c)** shall apply for the purposes of the interpretation of this Order as they apply for the purposes of the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(a) 1968 c. 67.

(b) In the case of the Secretaries of State concerned with health in England and in Wales by virtue of Article 2(2) of, and Schedule 1 to, the Transfer of Functions (Wales) Order 1969 (S.I. 1969/388; 1969 I, p. 1070), and in the case of the Northern Ireland Departments by virtue of section 40 of, and Schedule 5 to, the Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973 (c. 36), and paragraph 2(1)(*b*) of Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Act 1974 (c. 28).

(c) 1889 c. 63.

Establishment of the Committee on Dental and Surgical Materials

2.—(1) There shall be established a committee to be called the Committee on Dental and Surgical Materials for the following purposes:—

(*a*) giving advice with respect to safety, quality and efficacy in relation to human or animal use of any substance or article specified in paragraph (2) of this Article; and

(*b*) promoting the collection and investigation of information relating to adverse reactions for the purpose of enabling such advice to be given.

(2) The substances or articles referred to in paragraph (1) above are substances or articles which are for dental or surgical use, being—

(i) instruments, apparatuses or appliances to which any provision of the Act is applicable, or

(ii) medicinal products or other substances or articles (not being instruments, apparatuses or appliances) to which any provision of the Act is applicable and in respect of which neither the Committee on Safety of Medicines **(a)** nor the Veterinary Products Committee **(b)** is the appropriate committee within the meaning of section 4(6) of the Act,

whether or not used in conjunction with any other such substance, article, instrument, apparatus or appliance.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Social Services,

D. A. L. Owen,
Minister of State,
Department of Health and Social Security.

21st August 1975.

John Morris,
Secretary of State for Wales.

27th August 1975.

William Ross,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

30th August 1975.

(a) S.I. 1970/1257 (1970 II, p. 4098). **(b)** S.I. 1970/1304 (1970 III, p. 4335).

In witness whereof the official seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 3rd September 1975.

(L.S.) *Frederick Peart*,
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

Sealed with the official seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland this 5th day of September 1975.

(L.S.) *N. Dugdale*,
Permanent Secretary.

Sealed with the official seal of the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this 9th day of September 1975.

J. A. Young,
(L.S.) Permanent Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Order.*)

This Order establishes the Committee on Dental and Surgical Materials for the purposes set out in Article 2.

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