The Nurses (Amendment No. 2) Rules, Approval Instrument, 1949

1949 No. 1994

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Whereas the General Nursing Council for England and Wales have, in pursuance of their powers under section 3 of the Nurses Registration Act, 1919(**a**), amended the rules(**b**) made by them under the Nurses Acts, 1919 and 1943(**c**), as modified by the General Nursing Council (England and Wales) Rules Modification Order, 1923(**d**), and have submitted the amendments to the Minister of Health for his approval:

Now, therefore, the Minister of Health, in exercise of his powers under section 16 of the Nurses Act, 1943, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby approves the said amendments in the form set out in the schedule hereto.

This instrument may be cited as the Nurses (Amendment No. 2) Rules, Approval Instrument, 1949, and shall come into operation on the first day of November, 1949.

SCHEDULE

GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR ENGLAND AND WALES THE NURSES ACTS, 1919 TO 1945

The General Nursing Council for England and Wales in the exercise of their powers under section 3 of the Nurses Registration Act, 1919, hereby make the following Rules:—

1. These Rules may be cited as the Nurses (Amendment No. 2) Rules, 1949, and shall be read as one with the Rules (hereinafter called the "principal Rules") made by the General Nursing Council for England and Wales under the Nurses Acts, 1919 and 1943, and modified by the General Nursing Council (England and Wales) Rules Modification Order, 1923.

2. Paragraph (1) of Rule 4 of the principal Rules entitled "Conditions of admission to Register by Examination after 30th June, 1925" is hereby revoked and there shall be substituted therefor the following paragraph:—

"(1) The Preliminary Examination shall be divided into two Parts of which Part I shall include the subjects of Elementary Anatomy, Physiology and Hygiene, and Part II shall include the subjects of First Aid, of an Introduction to Psychology and of Nursing as laid down in the Syllabus of Subjects for this Examination:

Provided that until the 1st day of June, 1950, the subject of an Introduction to Psychology shall not be included in Part II of the Examination."

(**a**) 9 & 10 Geo. 5. c. 94.
(**b**) Text printed by A. & E. Walter, Ltd., 9 to 17, Tabernacle Street, London, E.C.2, subject to Amendments contained in rules scheduled to S.I. 1949 No. 1104, p. 2897 above.
(**c**) 6 & 7 Geo. 6. c. 17.
(**d**) S.R. & O. 1923 (No. 804) p. 729.

3. There shall be inserted in paragraph (5) (*d*) of Rule 4 of the principal Rules between the word " subjects," and the word " and " the words:—" provided that lectures and instruction in the subject of an Introduction to Psychology shall be compulsory only in the case of a person who enters for the Examination in October, 1951, or thereafter,".

4. After section III of each Syllabus contained in the Fifth Schedule to the principal Rules, there shall be inserted the following section:—

" IIIA. Introduction to Psychology.

(*a*) Outline of General Psychology.

(i) Behaviour as a function of organisms reacting to environment. Type of reaction—chemical, reflex, instinctive, modifications by intelligence and habit.

(ii) Development of human behaviour in family and society. Unconscious motives—mental mechanisms, temperament and character.

(*b*) Applied Psychology.

Common effects of illness. Nurse-patient relationships. Convalescence and rehabilitation."

(Seal)

Dorothy M. Smith,
Chairman of the Council.

The Seal of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales was hereunto affixed this 23rd day of September, 1949.

M. Henry,
Registrar.

Given under the official seal of the Minister of Health this twenty-seventh day of October, nineteen hundred and forty-nine.

(L.S.)

Aneurin Bevan,
Minister of Health.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Instrument, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

The amending rules provide that Part II of the Preliminary Examination for Nurses shall include, in addition to the subjects formerly prescribed, the subject of an Introduction to Psychology as from 1st June, 1950, and that the requirement that a candidate shall have attended lectures and undergone instruction in subjects prescribed for the examination shall, in respect of an Introduction to Psychology, be compulsory only for candidates entering for examinations in and after October, 1951.

The Fifth Schedule (Syllabus of Examination) to the rules has been amended to include the new subject.