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# PUBLIC HEALTH, ENGLAND AND WALES

## The Nursing Homes and Mental Nursing Homes (Amendment) Regulations 1983

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The Secretary of State for Social Services, as respects England, and the Secretary of State for Wales, as respects Wales, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 6(*b*) of the Nursing Homes Act 1975(**a**) and all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following regulations:—

*Citation and commencement*

**1.** These regulations may be cited as the Nursing Homes and Mental Nursing Homes (Amendment) Regulations 1983 and shall come into operation on 30th September 1983.

*Amendment of the Nursing Homes and Mental Nursing Homes Regulations 1981*

**2.** At the end of regulation 6 of the Nursing Homes and Mental Nursing Homes Regulations 1981(**b**) (records) there shall be added the following paragraph:—

> "(9) Any records which are required to be made under the Mental Health (Hospital, Guardianship and Consent to Treatment) Regulations 1983(**c**) and which relate to the detention or treatment of a patient in a mental nursing home shall be kept for a period of not less than five years commencing on the date on which the person to whom they relate ceases to be a patient in that home.".

*Norman Fowler,*
Secretary of State for Social Services.

17th June 1983.

(**a**) 1975 c. 37; section 6 was extended by section 120(5) of the Mental Health Act 1983 (c. 20).
(**b**) S.I. 1981/932. (**c**) S.I. 1983/893.

*Nicholas Edwards,*
Secretary of State for Wales.

23rd June 1983.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations require certain records, made under the Mental Health Act 1983 and relating to the detention and treatment of mental nursing home patients, to be kept for not less than five years.

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