

**2019 No. 193**

**MENTAL CAPACITY**

**The Mental Capacity (Research) Regulations (Northern Ireland)  
2019**

*Made* - - - - - *27th September 2019*

*Coming into operation* - - - - - *1st October 2019*

The Department of Health(a), in exercise of the powers conferred by section 132 of the Mental Capacity Act (Northern Ireland) 2016(b), makes the following Regulations:

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

**1.**—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Mental Capacity (Research) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019 and shall come into operation on 1st October 2019.

(2) In these Regulations “HSC Trust” has the same meaning as in the Mental Capacity Act (Northern Ireland) 2016.

**Appropriate body for the purpose of research**

**2.** An appropriate body is a person or body designated as an appropriate body by an HSC trust or a university.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health on 27th September 2019.  
(L.S.)

*Mark Lee*  
A senior officer of the Department of Health.

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

These Regulations provides who the appropriate body for approving research conducted under Part 8 of the Mental Capacity Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 is.

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(b) 2016 c. 18 (NI)

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