



# Public Health Act (Northern Ireland) 1967

## 1967 CHAPTER 36

### PART I

#### INFECTIOUS DISEASES

#### **2 Duty of medical practitioner on diagnosis of notifiable disease.**

- (1) Every medical practitioner attending on a person shall as soon as he becomes aware, or has reasonable grounds for suspecting, that that person is suffering from a notifiable disease, send to [<sup>F1</sup>the Director of Public Health]<sup>F2</sup> . . . a certificate stating—
  - (a) the name, age, sex and address of the patient,
  - (b) the address of the building in which the examination took place, and
  - (c) the notifiable disease from which, in the opinion of the medical practitioner, the patient is, or may be, suffering.
- (2) The provisions of subsection (1) shall not apply where a medical practitioner diagnoses or suspects the occurrence of a notifiable disease in the Northern Ireland Fever Hospital or in any other hospital which the Ministry may designate for the purpose of this subsection.
- (3) Each [<sup>F3</sup>Regional Agency] shall supply a sufficient quantity of forms for the purposes of subsection (1) to every medical practitioner <sup>F4</sup> . . . .
- (4) [<sup>F5</sup>The Regional Agency] shall pay to a medical practitioner for each certificate duly sent by him under subsection (1) such fee as may be [<sup>F6</sup>determined by the Department, subject to such exceptions and conditions as may be so determined.]

**F1** Words in Act substituted (1.4.2009) by [Health and Social Care \(Reform\) Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2009 \(c. 1\), ss. 32, 34\(3\), Sch. 6 para. 2\(1\)](#); S.R. 2009/114, [art. 2](#)

**F2** Words in s. 2(1) repealed (1.4.2009) by [Health and Social Care \(Reform\) Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2009 \(c. 1\), ss. 33, 34\(3\), Sch. 7](#); S.R. 2009/114, [art. 2](#)

**F3** Words in Act substituted (1.4.2009) by [Health and Social Care \(Reform\) Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2009 \(c. 1\), ss. 32, 34\(3\), Sch. 6 para. 2\(2\)](#); S.R. 2009/114, [art. 2](#)

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- F4** Words in s. 2(3) repealed (1.4.2009) by Health and Social Care (Reform) Act (Northern Ireland) 2009 (c. 1), ss. 33, 34(3), **Sch. 7**; S.R. 2009/114, **art. 2**
- F5** Words in Act substituted (1.4.2009) by Health and Social Care (Reform) Act (Northern Ireland) 2009 (c. 1), ss. 32, 34(3), **Sch. 6 para. 2(2)**; S.R. 2009/114, **art. 2**
- F6** 1986 NI 24

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