

Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984

1984 CHAPTER 22

[F1PART 2A

PUBLIC HEALTH PROTECTION

Orders that may be made by justice of the peace

[F145G Power to order health measures in relation to persons

- (1) A justice of the peace may make an order under subsection (2) in relation to a person ("P") if the justice is satisfied that—
 - (a) P is or may be infected or contaminated,
 - (b) the infection or contamination is one which presents or could present significant harm to human health,
 - (c) there is a risk that P might infect or contaminate others, and
 - (d) it is necessary to make the order in order to remove or reduce that risk.
- (2) The order may impose on or in relation to P one or more of the following restrictions or requirements—
 - (a) that P submit to medical examination;
 - (b) that P be removed to a hospital or other suitable establishment;
 - (c) that P be detained in a hospital or other suitable establishment;
 - (d) that P be kept in isolation or quarantine;
 - (e) that P be disinfected or decontaminated;
 - (f) that P wear protective clothing;
 - (g) that P provide information or answer questions about P's health or other circumstances;
 - (h) that P's health be monitored and the results reported;

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- (i) that P attend training or advice sessions on how to reduce the risk of infecting or contaminating others;
- (j) that P be subject to restrictions on where P goes or with whom P has contact;
- (k) that P abstain from working or trading.
- (3) A justice of the peace may make an order under subsection (4) in relation to a person ("P") if the justice is satisfied that—
 - (a) P is or may be infected or contaminated,
 - (b) the infection or contamination is one which presents or could present significant harm to human health,
 - (c) there is a risk that a related party might infect or contaminate others, and
 - (d) it is necessary to make the order in order to remove or reduce that risk.
- (4) The order may impose on or in relation to P a requirement that P provide information or answer questions about P's health or other circumstances (including, in particular, information or questions about the identity of a related party).
- (5) "Related party" means—
 - (a) a person who has or may have infected or contaminated P, or
 - (b) a person whom P has or may have infected or contaminated.
- (6) An order under this section may also order a person with parental responsibility (within the meaning of the Children Act 1989) for P to secure that P submits to or complies with the restrictions or requirements imposed by the order.
- (7) The appropriate Minister must by regulations make provision about the evidence that must be available to a justice of the peace before the justice can be satisfied as mentioned in subsection (1) or (3).
- (8) Any reference in this section to a person who is infected or contaminated includes a reference to a person who carries the source of an infection or contamination, and any reference to infecting or contaminating others includes a reference to passing that source to others.]

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