

Statutory Document No. 2019/0123

*Abortion Reform Act 2019*

ABORTION REFORM ACT 2019 (APPOINTED DAY) ORDER 2019

Made: 22 February 2019
Laid before Tynwald: 19 March 2019

The Department of Health and Social Care makes the following Order under section 2 of the Abortion Reform Act 2019.

1 Title

This Order is the Abortion Reform Act 2019 (Appointed Day) Order 2019.

2 Interpretation

In this Order —

“**the Act**” means the Abortion Reform Act 2019; and

“**Department**” means the Department of Health and Social Care.

3 Commencement of the Act

- (1) The following provisions of the Act come into operation as specified in paragraphs (2) to (4).
- (2) The provisions of the Act set out in paragraph (3) come into operation immediately after this Order is made for the purpose of enabling the Department to make or issue —
 - (a) statutory documents;
 - (b) guidelines;
 - (c) directions; and
 - (d) any other documents,required under the Act.
- (3) The provisions of the Act are —
 - (a) section 6 (abortion services – conditions for provision);
 - (b) section 12 (duties of medical professional following termination);

- (c) section 17 (regulations);
 - (d) section 19 (access zones – hospitals and other premises where terminations are performed or counselling is provided);
 - (e) section 21 (access zones – homes of persons providing abortion services or counselling);
 - (f) section 22 (access zones – maximum dimensions); and
 - (g) section 26 (access zones – notices).
- (4) The Act comes into operation for all other purposes on 24 May 2019.

MADE 22 FEBRUARY 2019

DAVID ASHFORD
Minister for Health and Social Care

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings the Abortion Reform Act 2019 (“the Act”) into operation.

For the purpose of making statutory documents, directions, guidelines and documents required under the Act, section 6 (abortion services – conditions for provision), section 12 (duties of medical professional following termination), section 17 (regulations), section 19 (access zones – hospitals and other premises where terminations are performed or counselling is provided), section 21 (access zones – homes of persons providing abortion services or counselling), section 22 (access zones – maximum dimensions) and section 26 (access zones – notices) come into operation immediately after the Order is made.

The Act comes into operation for all other purposes on 24 May 2019.