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### **Mental Health Act 2001 (Authorised Officer) Regulations 2006**

I, Tim O' Malley, Minister of State at the Department of Health and Children, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 5(1) and section 9(8) of the Mental Health Act 2001, (No. 25 of 2001) and the Health and Children (Delegation of Ministerial Functions)(No.2) Order 2004 (S.I. No 843 of 2004), hereby make the following regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Mental Health Act 2001 (Authorised Officer) Regulations 2006.
2. These regulations come into force on 1 November 2006.
3. For the purposes of section 9 of the Mental Health Act 2001, the rank and grade of "authorised officer" is hereby prescribed as Local Health Manager, General Manager, Grade VIII, Psychiatric Nurse, Occupational Therapist, Psychologist or Social Worker.

GIVEN under my hand,

1 November 2006.  
Tim O' Malley  
Minister of State at the  
Department of Health and Children

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation.)*

This regulation sets out the officers of the Health Service Executive who may apply to have a person (other than a child) involuntarily admitted for care and treatment in a psychiatric hospital or unit.