and the provision of advice and assistance to local authorities, in relation to the matters specified in paragraphs (a) to (o) of this clause, and the undertaking of such other action as may be necessary to achieve and maintain that standard.

14. Ensuring preventive action, early detection, monitoring, investigation and control of communicable diseases and occupational diseases, in particular those communicable diseases and occupational diseases that are notifiable, by:

The isolation and treatment of cases:

Contact tracing:

Screening:

Immunisation:

Providing advice and support for individuals and priority groups in the community whose health is at risk.

- 15. The early detection, surveillance and investigation of the health needs of children.
- 16. Management and maintenance of the School Dental Service, including consultation with education boards, in accordance with Government policy.
- 17. Provision of, or assistance in the establishment of, occupational health services in industries, Government departments and relevant organisations.
- 18. Ensuring compliance with Part IV of the Health Act 1956, and with all regulations made under sections 117 to 120c of the Health Act 1956, in particular:

Asbestos Regulations 1983; Electroplating Regulations 1955; Fumigation Regulations 1967; Health (Quarantine) Regulations 1983; Lead Process Regulations 1950; Old People's Homes Regulations 1987; Spray Coating Regulations 1962; Venereal Diseases Regulations 1982.

- 19. Advice on standards of accommodation and hygiene for the purposes of licensing.
- 20. Granting or refusing consent to the establishment or extension of any offensive trade after investigation.
- 21. The investigation of complaints relating to health.

Workforce Development

- 22. The provision of or contribution to training and development programmes for health workers.
- 23. Liaison with professional groups over the maintenance of practice standards.

# Food Act 1981

## Functions:

The promotion and conservation of health in relation to food by the supervision of compliance with the Food Act 1981, the Food Hygiene Regulations 1974, the Food Regulations 1984 and the Dietary Supplements Regulations 1985, insofar as it is carried out by employees of an area health board, by ensuring that all persons on whom obligations are imposed by the said Act and regulations meet those obligations, and otherwise comply with the said Act and regulations.

### Medicines Act 1981

### Functions:

The promotion and conservation of health in relation to medical devices, medicines and related products by the supervision of compliance with the Medicines Act 1981 and the Medicines Regulations 1984, insofar as it is carried out by employees of an area health board, by ensuring that all persons on whom obligations are imposed by the said Act and regulations meet those obligations, and otherwise comply with the said Act and regulations.

## Toxic Substances Act 1979

### Functions:

The promotion and conservation of health in relation to toxic substances by the supervision of compliance with the Toxic Substances Act 1979 and the Toxic Substances Regulations 1983, insofar as it is carried out by employees of an area health board, by ensuring that all persons on whom obligations are imposed by the said Act and regulations meet those obligations and otherwise comply with the said Act and regulations.

# Social Security Act 1964, Part II

### Functions:

The promotion and conservation of health, in the following respects:

- 1. Routine management of the dental benefits programme in accordance with the Social Security Act 1964, Part II, and the Social Security (Dental Benefits) Regulations 1983;
- 2. The provision of advice and information to members of the public with respect to the benefits provided under the Social Security Act 1964, Part II, and the regulations made thereunder.

### Part B

## Delegated Conditions

- 1. The above functions shall be carried out with the informed participation of people in the community and recognition of the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi.
- 2. Except as provided in clause 3 of these conditions, nothing in this delegation shall confer on any area health board specified in Part C of the Schedule to this delegation the function of instituting proceedings for alleged offences against any of the Acts or regulations referred to in Part A of the Schedule to this delegation.
- 3. Every area health board specified in Part C of the Schedule to this delegation shall have the function of instituting proceedings for alleged offences against the Food Act 1981, the Food Hygiene Regulations 1974, the Food Regulations 1984, and the Dietary Supplements Regulations 1985. Where an area health board requires the services of counsel with respect to any proceedings so instituted it shall instruct the Crown Solicitor in the area health district to represent the board in the proceedings.
- 4. Where, in the view of an area health board, offences against any of the Acts or regulations referred to in Part A of the Schedule to this delegation (other than the Food Act 1981, the Food Hygiene Regulations 1974, the Food Regulations 1984, and the Dietary Supplements Regulations 1985) have occurred, the Board shall inform the Department of Health, to enable prosecution of the alleged offender at the instance of an officer of the department to be considered.

## Part C

Area Health Boards to Which This Delegation is Applicable

Northland Area Health Board, Auckland Area Health Board, Taranaki Area Health Board, Tairawhiti Area Health Board, Manawatu-Wanganui Area Health Board, Nelson-Marlborough Area Health Board, West Coast Area Health Board, Otago Area Health Board, Southland Area Health Board.

Dated at Wellington this 12th day of December 1989.

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