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Dear Colleague

**GENERAL PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2005 - 2007
STAFF EMPLOYED UNDER THE NHS HANDBOOK/2004 CONSULTANT
CONTRACT**

It has been agreed that the general public holidays to be observed during 2005, 2006 and 2007, for staff employed under the NHS Handbook and the 2004 Consultant Contract, are those set out in the Annex to this circular.

This circular applies to all staff in these groups who are directly employed by HPSS organisations¹.

This circular does not apply to:

- Those other staff which fall within the remit of the Doctors and Dentists Review Body;
- Senior Executives (Chief Executives, Executive Directors and functional Directors working at Board level), and
- National Joint Council staff.

Separate guidance will be issued in relation to the above excluded staff groups.

¹ Health and Social Services Boards, HSS Trusts, the Central Services Agency (CSA), the Health Promotion Agency, the Northern Ireland Blood Transfusion Service Agency, the Northern Ireland Regional Medical Physics Agency, the Northern Ireland Guardian ad Litem Agency, the Northern Ireland Practice & Education Council for Nursing, Midwifery & Health Visiting (NIPEC), the Northern Ireland Social Care Council (NISCC), the Northern Ireland Regulation and Improvement Authority and the Northern Ireland Medical and Dental Training Agency (NIMDTA)

FURTHER COPIES

Copies of the circular can be obtained from the extranet at <http://extranet.dhsspsni.gov.uk> or the Department's website at <http://www.dhsspsni.gov.uk>.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Damian McAlister', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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ANNEX

| | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| New Year's Day | 3 Jan ■ | 2 Jan | 1 Jan |
| St Patrick's Day | 17 Mar | 17 Mar | 19 Mar ◇ |
| Easter Monday | 28 Mar | 17 Apr | 9 Apr |
| Easter Tuesday | 29 Mar | 18 Apr | 10 Apr |
| Early May Bank Holiday | 2 May | 1 May | 7 May |
| Spring Bank Holiday | 30 May | 29 May | 28 May |
| July Bank Holiday | <i>12 July</i> | <i>12 July</i> | <i>12 July</i> |
| Summer Bank Holiday | 29 Aug | 28 Aug | 27 Aug |
| Christmas Day | 27 Dec ▲ | 25 Dec | 25 Dec |
| Boxing Day | 26 Dec | 26 Dec | 26 Dec |
| ■ Substitute Bank Holiday in lieu of 1st Jan | | | |
| ▲ Substitute Bank Holiday in lieu of 25th Dec | | | |
| ◇ Substitute Bank Holiday in lieu of 17 March | | | |