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A **LAW** to make provision for the giving of consent by minors who have attained the age of 16 years to medical treatment

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### 1 Consent to medical treatment

- (1) The consent of a person who has attained the age of 16 years but is under the age of majority to any surgical, medical or dental treatment which, in the absence of consent, would constitute a trespass to the person, shall be as effective as it would be if the person had attained the age of majority; and where such a person has by virtue of this Article given an effective consent to any treatment it shall not be necessary to obtain any further consent from his or her parent or guardian.<sup>1</sup>
- (2) In this Article “surgical, medical or dental treatment” includes any procedure undertaken for the purposes of diagnosis, and this Article applies to any procedure (including in particular, the administration of an anaesthetic) which is ancillary to any treatment as it applies to that treatment.
- (3) Nothing in this Article shall be construed as making ineffective any consent which would have been effective if this Article had not been enacted.

### 2 Citation

This Law may be cited as the Consent to Medical Treatment (Jersey) Law 1973.

## ENDNOTES

### Table of Legislation History

| Legislation                                    | Year and No               | Commencement               |
|--|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Consent to Medical Treatment (Jersey) Law 1973 | <a href="#">L.1/1974</a>  | 25 January 1974            |
| Age of Majority (Jersey) Law 1999              | <a href="#">L.26/1999</a> | 1 November 1999 (R&O.9445) |

### Table of Endnote References

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<sup>1</sup> Article 1(1) *amended by L.26/1999*