STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2015 No. 891

The Misuse of Drugs (Amendment) (No. 2) (England, Wales and Scotland) Regulations 2015

Amendment of regulation 8

- 7. In regulation 8 (production and supply of drugs in Schedules 2 and 5)—
 - (a) after paragraph (2)(d) insert
 - "(da) the person in charge or acting person in charge of an organisation providing ambulance services";
 - (b) for paragraph (2)(e) substitute—
 - "(e) in the case of such a drug supplied to her by a person responsible for the dispensing and supply of medicines at a hospital, care home or prison, the senior registered nurse, acting senior registered nurse, or registered midwife, for the time being in charge of a ward, theatre or other department in the hospital, care home or prison.";
 - (c) in the second paragraph (2)(i) for "a hospital" substitute "a hospital, organisation providing ambulance services";
 - (d) in paragraph (2)(ii) for "senior registered nurse or acting senior registered nurse" substitute "senior registered nurse, acting senior registered nurse or registered midwife";
 - (e) after paragraph (2)(iii) insert—
 - "(iv) the person in charge or acting person in charge of an organisation providing ambulance services to supply any drugs other than directly to employees of the organisation for the immediate treatment of sick or injured persons.";
 - (f) for paragraph (8)(b) substitute—
 - "(b) a registered nurse or a person specified in Schedule 8 may, when acting in their capacity as such, supply or offer to supply, under and in accordance with the terms of a patient group direction, any drug specified in Schedule 5 or ketamine to any person who may lawfully have that drug in his possession, except that this paragraph shall not have effect in the case of ketamine or any preparation of ketamine which is designed for administration by injection and which is to be used for the purpose of treating a person who is addicted to a drug;"; and
 - (g) after paragraph (8)(b) insert—
 - "(9) For the purposes of paragraph (8)(b) above, a person shall be regarded as being addicted to a drug if, and only if, he has as a result of repeated administration become so dependent upon the drug that he has an overpowering desire for the administration of it to be continued."