STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2016 No. 1077

The National Health Service (Pharmaceutical Services, Charges and Prescribing) (Amendment) Regulations 2016

PART 3

Amendments relating to therapeutic radiographer independent prescribers and dietitian supplementary prescribers

Further amendment of regulation 2 of the principal Regulations

- **21.** In regulation 2 of the principal Regulations(1) (interpretation), in paragraph (1)—
 - (a) in the definition of "prescriber", for "or an optometrist independent prescriber;" substitute ", an optometrist independent prescriber or a therapeutic radiographer independent prescriber;";
 - (b) in paragraph (b)(i) of the definition of "supplementary prescriber", after "chiropodists and podiatrists," insert "dietitians,"; and
 - (c) after the definition of "supplementary prescriber" insert—

"therapeutic radiographer independent prescriber" means a radiographer-

- (a) who is registered in Part 11 of the register maintained under article 5 of the Health and Social Work Professions Order 2001(2); and
- (b) against whose name in that register is recorded—
 - (i) an entitlement to use the title "therapeutic radiographer", and
 - (ii) an annotation signifying that the radiographer is qualified to order drugs, medicines and appliances as a therapeutic radiographer independent prescriber;".

Amendment of regulation 2 of the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Regulations 2015

22. In regulation 2 of the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Regulations 2015(**3**) (interpretation), in paragraph (1)—

- (a) in the definition of "prescriber", for "or an optometrist independent prescriber," substitute ", an optometrist independent prescriber or a therapeutic radiographer independent prescriber;";
- (b) in paragraph (b)(i) of the definition of "supplementary prescriber", after "chiropodists and podiatrists," insert "dietitians,"; and

⁽¹⁾ Amended by S.I. 2015/137, 570, 1862 and 1879 and 2016/696.

⁽²⁾ S.I. 2002/254; article 5 has been amended by S.I. 2009/1182. This Order was so renamed by section 213(4) and (6) of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 (c. 7).

⁽³⁾ S.I. 2015/570; regulation 2 has been amended by S.I. 2015/1879 and 2016/686.

(c) before the definition of "the Travel Expenses and Remission of Charges Regulations" insert—

"therapeutic radiographer independent prescriber" means a radiographer-

- (a) who is registered in Part 11 of the register maintained under article 5 of the Health and Social Work Professions Order 2001(4); and
- (b) against whose name in that register is recorded—
 - (i) an entitlement to use the title "therapeutic radiographer", and
 - (ii) an annotation signifying that the radiographer is qualified to order drugs, medicines and appliances as a therapeutic radiographer independent prescriber;".

Amendment of the National Health Service (General Medical Services Contracts) Regulations 2015

23. In regulation 3 of the National Health Service (General Medical Services Contracts) Regulations 2015(5) (interpretation), in paragraph (1)—

- (a) in the definition of "prescriber"—
 - (i) omit the "and" at the end of paragraph (f),
 - (ii) in paragraph (g), for "prescriber," substitute "prescriber; and", and
 - (iii) after paragraph (g) insert—
 - "(h) a therapeutic radiographer independent prescriber,"; and
- (b) in the definition of "supplementary prescriber", in sub-paragraph (b)(iv)—
 - (i) omit "or" at the end of sub-paragraph (bb), and
 - (ii) after sub-paragraph (cc) insert the following sub-paragraph—

"(dd) dietitians, or"; and

(c) after the definition of "temporary resident" insert-

"therapeutic radiographer independent prescriber" means a radiographer-

- (a) who is registered in Part 11 of the register maintained under article 5 of the Health and Social Work Professions Order 2001; and
- (b) against whose name in that register is recorded—
 - (i) an entitlement to use the title "therapeutic radiographer", and
 - (ii) an annotation signifying that the radiographer is qualified to order drugs, medicines and appliances as a therapeutic radiographer independent prescriber;".

Amendment of the National Health Service (Personal Medical Services Agreements) Regulations 2015

24. In regulation 3 of the National Health Service (Personal Medical Services Agreements) Regulations 2015(6) (interpretation), in paragraph (1)—

(a) in the definition of "prescriber"—

(i) omit the "and" at the end of paragraph (f),

⁽⁴⁾ S.I. 2002/254; article 5 has been amended by S.I. 2009/1182. This Order was so renamed by section 213(4) and (6) of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 (c. 7).

⁽⁵⁾ S.I. 2015/1862; amended by S.I. 2016/696.

⁽⁶⁾ S.I. 2015/1879; amended by S.I. 2016/696.

- (ii) in paragraph (g), for "prescriber," substitute "prescriber; and", and
- (iii) after paragraph (g) insert—
 - "(h) a therapeutic radiographer independent prescriber,";
- (b) in the definition of "supplementary prescriber", in sub-paragraph (b)(iv)—
 - (i) omit "or" at the end of sub-paragraph (bb), and
 - (ii) after sub-paragraph (cc) insert the following sub-paragraph—

"(dd) dietitians, or"; and

(c) after the definition of "temporary resident" insert-

""therapeutic radiographer independent prescriber" means a radiographer-

- (a) who is registered in Part 11 of the register maintained under article 5 of the Health and Social Work Professions Order 2001; and
- (b) against whose name in that register is recorded—
 - (i) an entitlement to use the title "therapeutic radiographer", and
 - (ii) an annotation signifying that the radiographer is qualified to order drugs, medicines and appliances as a therapeutic radiographer independent prescriber;".