

## SCHEDULE 1

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

## PART 6

### Other minor amendments

#### References to “additional services”

14. In regulation 3—
- (a) in paragraph (1)—
    - (i) omit the definition of “additional services”;
    - (ii) in the definition of “enhanced services”, for “additional services”, in both places it occurs, substitute “minor surgery”;
    - (iii) for the definition of “minor surgery” substitute—
      - ““minor surgery” has the meaning given in paragraph (6A);”;
    - (iv) in the definition of “out of hours services”, for “additional services” substitute “minor surgery”;
  - (b) after paragraph (6) insert—
    - “(6A) “Minor surgery” means the following services—
      - (a) making available to patients where appropriate—
        - (i) curettage,
        - (ii) cautery, and
        - (iii) cryocautery of warts, verrucae and other skin lesions;
      - (b) recording in the patient’s record—
        - (i) details of the minor surgery provided to the patient, and
        - (ii) the consent of the patient to that surgery.”.
15. In regulation 17(1), for “, (9) and (12)” substitute “and (9)”.
16. For regulation 19 substitute—

#### “Minor surgery

19.—(1) Subject to Part 6, a contract may provide for the provision by a contractor of minor surgery.

(2) A contract which includes minor surgery must contain a term which requires the contractor to provide such facilities as are necessary to enable the contractor to properly perform that service.”.

17. In regulation 20(2)—
- (a) in sub-paragraph (a)(ii), for “additional services” substitute “minor surgery”;
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (b)(ii), for “additional services” substitute “minor surgery”;
  - (c) in sub-paragraph (c), for “additional services” substitute “minor surgery”.
18. In regulation 30(6)(c)—

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- (a) for “additional services” substitute “minor surgery”;
- (b) for “such services” substitute “that service”.

**19.** In regulation 33, for “an additional service” substitute “minor surgery” in each of the following definitions—

- (a) “opt out notice”;
- (b) “permanent opt out”;
- (c) “preliminary opt out notice”;
- (d) “temporary opt out”.

**20.** In regulation 34, for paragraph (a) substitute—

“(a) minor surgery, or”.

**21.**—(1) Regulation 35 is amended as follows.

- (2) In the heading, for “additional services” substitute “minor surgery”.
- (3) In paragraph (1), for “additional services” substitute “minor surgery”.
- (4) In paragraphs (2) and (5), for “the additional service” substitute “minor surgery”.
- (5) In paragraph (6)—
  - (a) omit sub-paragraph (a);
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (b), omit “, in relation to that service,”.

(6) In paragraph (7), for “the same additional service is concerned” substitute “they also concerned minor surgery”.

**22.**—(1) Regulation 36 is amended as follows.

- (2) In the heading, for “Additional services” substitute “Minor surgery”.
- (3) In paragraph (3)—
  - (a) in sub-paragraph (a), for “additional services” substitute “minor surgery”;
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (b), for “the additional service” substitute “minor surgery”.
- (4) In paragraph (6), in the words before sub-paragraph (a), for “the additional service specified in the notice” substitute “minor surgery”.
- (5) In paragraph (8)(a), for “the additional service” substitute “minor surgery”.
- (6) In paragraph (10), for “the additional service in question” substitute “minor surgery”.

**23.**—(1) Regulation 37 is amended as follows.

- (2) In the heading, for “Additional services” substitute “Minor surgery”.
- (3) In paragraph (4), for “an additional service” substitute “minor surgery”.
- (4) In paragraph (6), for “the additional service” substitute “minor surgery”.
- (5) In paragraph (7), for “the additional service” substitute “minor surgery”.
- (6) In paragraph (8), for “the additional service”, in each place it occurs, substitute “minor surgery”.
- (7) In paragraph (9), for “the additional service”, in both places it occurs, substitute “minor surgery”.
- (8) In paragraph (10), for “the additional service” substitute “minor surgery”.
- (9) In paragraph (11), for “the additional service” substitute “minor surgery”.

- 24. In regulation 39(2), for “the additional service” substitute “minor surgery”.
- 25. Omit Schedule 1.
- 26. In Schedule 3—
  - (a) in paragraph 15(1), for paragraph (a) substitute—
    - “(a) minor surgery;”;
  - (b) in paragraph 16, for sub-paragraph (a) substitute—
    - “(a) minor surgery;”.

**Transfer of patient records: time limits**

- 27. After regulation 69, insert—

**“Transfer of patient records between GP practices: time limits**

- 69A.—(1) This regulation applies where—
  - (a) a patient on a contractor’s list of patients has registered with another provider of primary medical services, and
  - (b) the contractor receives a request from that provider for the complete records relating to that patient.
- (2) The contractor must, before the end of the period of 28 days beginning with the day on which it receives the request from the provider—
  - (a) send the complete records (other than any part of the records held only in paper form) to the provider via the GP2GP facility in accordance with regulation 69, and
  - (b) send to the Board in accordance with regulation 67(5A), the complete records, or any part of the records—
    - (i) for which the contractor does not receive a confirmation, or
    - (ii) held only in paper form.
- (3) In this regulation—
  - “confirmation”, in relation to records sent via the GP2GP facility, means confirmation of safe and effective transfer via that facility;
  - “GPG2P facility” has the same meaning as in paragraph (2) of regulation 69.”.