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## **HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES**

## Charges for Drugs and Appliances

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The Department of Health and Social Services(a) in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 98, 106 and 107, of, and Schedule 15 to, the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(b) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf and with the approval of the Department of Finance(a) hereby makes the following regulations:

#### Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Health and Personal Social Services (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Amendment No. 3) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1975 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1976.

#### Amendment of regulations

2. The Health and Personal Social Services (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1973(c) shall be amended as follows:

For regulation 9(4) there shall be substituted:

- "(4) This regulation shall not apply to the supply of
  - (a) children's glasses where the standard type of children's frames as described in the Statement of Fees and Charges is used;
  - (b) glasses to children for which frames other than the standard type of children's frame as described in the Statement of Fees and Charges are used solely for clinical reasons;
  - (c) contact lenses to a person to whom children's glasses may be supplied and for whom such lenses are clinically necessary".

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland on 23rd December 1975.

#### R. J. Christie

- Assistant Secretary

The Department of Finance hereby approves the foregoing Regulations.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance for Northern Treland on 23rd December 1975.

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A. J. Green

Assistant Secretary

<sup>(</sup>a) Formerly Ministry: see 1973 c. 36 s. 40 Sch. 5 para. 8
(b) S.I. 1972 No. 1265 (N.I. 14)
(c) S.R. & O. 1973 No. 419 (II, p. 2512)

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### EXPLANATORY NOTE

# (This note is not part of the regulations but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These regulations amend the Health and Personal Social Services (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1973 by providing that children supplied with contact lenses will be exempt from charges if contact lenses are clinically necessary.