

1992 No. 299**HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES****General Dental Services (Amendment No. 2) Regulations
(Northern Ireland) 1992**

Made 1st July 1992

Coming into operation 8th July 1992

The Department of Health and Social Services in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 61, 106 and 107(6) of and Schedule 15 to the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(a) and with the approval of the Department of Finance and Personnel (b) in so far as they relate to Schedule 15 to that Order and in conjunction with the Department of Finance and Personnel in so far as they relate to Article 61 of that Order and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, and after consultation with such organisations as appear to the Department to be representative of the dental profession as required by Article 61(4) of that Order, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the General Dental Services (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992 and shall come into operation on 8th July 1992.

(2) In these regulations “the principal regulations” means the Health and Personal Social Services (General Dental Services) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1975(c).

Amendment of Schedule 1 to the principal regulations

2. In Part II of Schedule 1C (prior approval treatment)—

(1) In paragraph 1 (course of care and treatment) for “£600” there shall be substituted “£200”; and

(2) In paragraph 3(b) for the words “and retention” there shall be substituted the words “, retention and the extraction of any tooth for orthodontic purposes.”

(a) S.I. 1972/1265 (N.I. 14). The relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1978/1907 (N.I. 26), S.I. 1981/432, S.I. 1986/2229 (N.I. 24), S.I. 1988/2249 (N.I. 24) and S.I. 1991/194 (N.I. 1)

(b) Formerly Department of Finance: see S.I. 1982/338 (N.I. 6) Art. 3

(c) S.R. 1975 No. 227. The relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1990 No. 342, S.R. 1991 No. 277 and S.R. 1992 No. 37

Application of these regulations

3. The amendments made by these regulations apply only in relation to a course of care and treatment commenced on or after 8th July 1992.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services on 1st July 1992.

(L.S.)

J. McGrath

Assistant Secretary

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance and Personnel in so far as the foregoing regulations relate to Article 61 of the Order on 1st July 1992.

(L.S.)

R. Miller

Assistant Secretary

The Department of Finance and Personnel hereby approves the foregoing regulations in so far as they relate to Schedule 15 to the Order.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance and Personnel on 1st July 1992.

(L.S.)

R. Miller

Assistant Secretary

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations amend the Health and Personal Social Services (General Dental Services) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1975 ("the principal regulations") which regulate the terms on which general dental services are provided under the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972.

Schedule 1C to the principal regulations is amended to reduce from £600 to £200 the amount specified as the maximum cost or likely cost of care and treatment which a dentist may undertake without seeking the prior approval of the Dental Committee (Regulation 2(1)) and to provide that the cost of the extraction of any tooth for orthodontic purposes is not to be included in the cost of care and treatment for the purposes of prior approval (Regulation 2(2)). These amendments apply only in relation to care and treatment provided on or after 8th July 1992 (Regulation 3).