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HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES

Dental Charges (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994

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

Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Dental Charges (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1994.
- (2) In these regulations, "the principal regulations" means the Dental Charges Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989(b).

Amendment of regulation 4 of the principal regulations

2. In regulation 4(5) of the principal regulations (calculation of charges) for "£250.00" there shall be substituted "£275.00".

Revocation

3. Regulation 2(c) of the Health and Personal Social Services Dental Charges (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1993(c) is hereby revoked.

Application of regulations

4. The amendment made by regulation 2 applies only in relation to a contract or arrangement for the provision of general dental services made on or after 1st April 1994.

 ⁽a) S.I. 1972/1265 (N.I. 14), as amended by S.I. 1986/2229 (N.I. 24) Article 14, S.I. 1988/2249 (N.I. 24) Article 7 and S.I. 1991/194 (N.I. 1) Article 34 and Part II of Schedule 5; there are other amendments which are not relevant

⁽b) S.R. 1989 No. 111, as amended by S.R. 1991 No. 130 and S.R. 1993 No. 139

⁽c) S.R. 1993 No. 139

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services on 16th March 1994.

(L.S.) Joan Dixon

Assistant Secretary

The Department of Finance and Personnel hereby approves the foregoing Regulations.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance and Personnel on 16th March 1994.

(L.S.) David Thomson

Assistant Secretary

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations further amend the Dental Charges Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989 ("the principal regulations") which relate to charges for dental treatment provided and dental appliances supplied as part of health service general dental services.

Regulation 2 amends regulation 4(5) of the principal regulations to increase from £250 to £275 the maximum charge which a patient may be required to pay towards the cost of his treatment or appliance under general dental services.

Regulation 4 provides that these new charges shall apply only where the arrangement for treatment or supply of a dental appliance is made on or after 1st April 1994.