

1995 No. 83

HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES**Dental Charges (Amendment) Regulations
(Northern Ireland) 1995**

Made 9th March 1995

Coming into operation 1st April 1995

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) 1995 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1995.

(2) In these regulations, “the principal regulations” means the Dental Charges Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989(b).

Amendment of regulation 1 of the principal regulations

2. In regulation 1(2) of the principal regulations (citation, commencement and interpretation) for the definition of “General Dental Services Regulations” there shall be substituted the following definition:—

““General Dental Services Regulations” means the Health and Personal Social Services General Dental Services Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1993”;(c)

Amendment of regulation 4 of the principal regulations

3. In regulation 4(5) of the principal regulations (calculation of charges) for “£275-00” there shall be substituted “£300-00”.

Revocation

4. Regulation 2 of the Health and Personal Social Services Dental Charges (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994(d) is hereby revoked.

(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, S.R. 1993 No. 139 and S.R. 1994 No. 95

(c) S.R. 1993 No. 326

(d) S.R. 1994 No. 95

Application of regulations

5. The amendment made by regulation 3 applies only in relation to the supply of any dental appliances or the provision of other dental services in pursuance of a contract or arrangement for the provision of general dental services made on or after 1st April 1995.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services on 9th March 1995.

(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 9th March 1995.

(L.S.)

D. 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 1 amends regulation 1(2) of the principal regulations by updating the definition of "General Dental Services Regulations".

Regulation 3 amends regulation 4(5) of the principal regulations to increase from £275 to £300 the maximum charge which a patient may be required to pay towards the cost of his treatment or appliance under general dental services.

Regulation 5 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 1995.