STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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General Medical Services Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997

Part II

The Medical List

Variation of conditions

- **14.**—(1) A doctor whose name is included in the medical list may apply, in accordance with paragraph (2), for the variation of any condition—
 - (a) imposed in relation to him by the Board under regulation 13; or
 - (b) specified in relation to him by the Department on the determination of any appeal from a decision by the Board.
- (2) An application for the purposes of paragraph (1) shall be made in writing to the Board and shall include the information specified in Part IV of Schedule 3.
 - (3) On consideration of an application under this regulation the Board—
 - (a) in determining the application—
 - (i) may refuse to vary the condition in question; or
 - (ii) may vary the condition by imposing in relation to the doctor such other condition mentioned in regulation 13 as has been requested in the application;
 - (b) shall give notice of its decision in writing to the doctor; and
 - (c) where it has varied a condition under head (ii) of sub-paragraph (a), shall amend the medical list accordingly.
- (4) Where the Board refuses under paragraph (3)(a)(i) to vary a condition it shall, when it gives notice to the doctor of its decision—
 - (a) include with the notice a statement of the reasons for its decision; and
 - (b) advise the doctor in writing of his right of appeal under paragraph (5).
- (5) A doctor may appeal to the Department against the refusal of the Board to vary a condition under this regulation and—
 - (a) paragraphs (2) to (9) of regulation 15 shall apply to the making and determination of any such appeal; and
 - (b) where the Department allows such an appeal, it shall remit the application to that Board for reconsideration, and regulation 15(11) shall apply in that event.