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HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES

**Dental Charges (Amendment) Regulations
(Northern Ireland) 2003**

Made - - - - - *5th March 2003*

Coming into operation *1st April 2003*

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety^(a) 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^(b) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, with the approval of the Department of Finance and Personnel, hereby make the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Dental Charges (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003 and shall come into operation on 1st April 2003.

(2) In these Regulations “the principal Regulations” means the Dental Charges Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989^(c).

Amendment of regulation 4 of the principal Regulations

2. In regulation 4(5) of the principal Regulations (calculation of charges) for “£366.00” there shall be substituted “£372.00”.

Revocation

3. Regulation 2 of the Dental Charges (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002^(d) is hereby revoked.

Application of regulations

4. The amendment made by regulation 2 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, or services under a pilot scheme, made on or after 1st April 2003.

(a) See S.I. 1999/283 (N.I. 1), Article 3(6)

(b) 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

(c) S.R. 1989 No. 111; relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 2002 No. 84

(d) S.R. 2002 No. 84

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety
on 5th March 2003.

(L.S.)

Dr. J. F. Livingstone

Senior Officer of the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety

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

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance and Personnel on 5th March 2003.

(L.S.)

R. Scott

Senior Officer of the Department of Finance and Personnel

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 or under a pilot scheme.

Regulation 2 amends regulation 4(5) of the principal Regulations to increase from £366 to £372 the maximum charge which a patient may be required to pay towards the cost of his treatment or appliance under general dental services or under a pilot scheme.

Regulation 4 provides that these new charges shall apply only where the arrangements for treatment or supply of a dental appliance is made on or after 1st April 2003.

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