
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the National Health Service (Professions Supplementary to Medicine) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I.1974/549) (the “principal Regulations”). The Professions Supplementary to Medicine Act 1960 (“the Act”) has been extended to include prosthetists and orthotists and arts therapists among the professions regulated under that Act (see S.I. 1997/504 and 1121). These Regulations add those professions to those whose employment by Health Boards is prohibited for the purposes of providing services under the National Health Service in Scotland, except where their names are included in the register maintained under section 2(1) of the Act by the relevant Boards, unless they were employed in that capacity immediately before the coming into force of these Regulations.

In addition, regulation 2(5) removes the reference to remedial gymnasts from the principal Regulations because the Act no longer extends to this profession separately (see S.I. 1986/630). The profession of remedial gymnast has become part of the profession of physiotherapists.