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NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND AND WALES

**The National Health Service (General Dental Services)
Regulations 1973 Amendment Order 1974**

<i>Made</i>	- - -	<i>14th January 1974</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>25th January 1974</i>
<i>Coming into Operation</i>		<i>1st April 1974</i>

The Secretary of State for Social Services in exercise of the powers conferred by section 57(5) of the National Health Service Reorganisation Act 1973(a) hereby makes the following order:—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the National Health Service (General Dental Services) Regulations 1973 Amendment Order 1974, and shall come into operation on the 1st April 1974.

(2) The rules for the construction of Acts of Parliament contained in the Interpretation Act 1889(b) shall apply for the purposes of the interpretation of this order as they apply for the purposes of the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Amendments to regulations

2. The National Health Service (General Dental Services) Regulations 1973(c) shall be amended as follows:—

(1) In regulation 2—

(a) for the definition “area” there shall be substituted—

“area” means in relation to a Committee the area for which the Committee is established;

(b) after the definition “assistant” there shall be inserted the definition—

“Authority” means a Regional Health Authority or Area Health Authority as the case may require;

(a) 1973 c. 32.

(c) S.I. 1973/1468 (1973 II, p. 4445).

(b) 1889 c. 63.

- (c) after the definition "the Board" there shall be inserted the definition—
"Board of Governors" means a body specified in an Order under section 15(1) of the National Health Service Reorganisation Act 1973;
- (d) for the definition "Council" there shall be substituted—
"Committee" means Family Practitioner Committee;
- (e) the definition "health centre" shall be deleted;
- (f) in the definition "listed drugs" the words from "as amended" to the end shall be deleted.
- (2) In regulation 3—
- (a) for the words from "The arrangements" to the words "shall incorporate" there shall be substituted the words—
"The arrangements with dentists for the provision of general dental services, which it is under section 40 of the Act the duty of an Authority to make and under section 7(3) of the National Health Service Reorganisation Act 1973 of the Committee to administer, shall incorporate";
- (b) for the Proviso there shall be substituted—
"Provided that a dentist may appeal to the Secretary of State against the refusal by a Committee of his application to provide, otherwise than as a salaried dentist, general dental services at accommodation made available by the Secretary of State and the Committee shall give effect to any decision of the Secretary of State on that appeal."
- (3) (a) In regulation 4(1)(b) for the words "surgery or health centre" there shall be substituted the words "practice premises";
- (b) in regulation 4(4)(b)—
- (i) for the words from "the local health authority" to the words "in the area" there shall be substituted the words—
"the Regional Health Authority within whose region the area of the Committee lies, the Area Health Authority by which the Committee was established, the Board of Governors of any teaching hospital in the area of the Committee";
- (ii) for the words "such Committee" in each place where they occur there shall be substituted the words "such Local Medical and Pharmaceutical Committees";
- (iii) for the word "authority" in each place where it occurs there shall be substituted the word "Authority".
- (4) In regulation 6(3)(b) for the word "committee" in each place where it occurs there shall be substituted the words "sub-committee".
- (5) In regulation 10(4)(a) for the words from "a Regional Hospital Board" to the words "health authority" there shall be substituted the words "an Authority or Board of Governors".

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- (6) Regulation 27 shall be deleted.
 - (7) In schedule 1 Part III paragraph 26 for the words "the health centre" in both places where they occur there shall be substituted the words "such premises".
 - (8) For the word "Council" wherever it occurs in the said regulations there shall be substituted the word "Committee".

Keith Joseph,
Secretary of State for Social Services.

14th January 1974.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order amends the National Health Service (General Dental Services) Regulations 1973 in consequence of the provisions of the National Health Service Reorganisation Act 1973. The principal amendment is the substitution for the Executive Council which ceases to exist on the 1st April 1974 of the Family Practitioner Committee as the body which administers the provision of general dental services.

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