
 STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND AND
WALES**
**The National Health Service (Dental and Optical Charges)
Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1980**

<i>Made - - -</i>	<i>14th July 1980</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>21st July 1980</i>
<i>Coming into Operation</i>	<i>1st October 1980</i>

The Secretary of State for Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 79 of and paragraphs 3(1) and (2) of Schedule 12 to the National Health Service Act 1977(a) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the National Health Service (Dental and Optical Charges) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1980 and shall come into operation on 1st October 1980.

Amendment to Regulations

2. The National Health Service (Dental and Optical Charges) Regulations 1978(b) shall be further amended as follows:—

- (1) In regulation 4 for the words “paragraph (2)” in paragraph (1) there shall be substituted the words “paragraphs (2) and (3)”, and after paragraph (2) there shall be added the following new paragraph—

“(3) No charge shall be payable for the exceptional attendance by a dentist at his surgery in order to provide emergency treatment.”
- (2) In regulation 5 the proviso to paragraph (2) shall be omitted.
- (3) Schedule 1A shall be omitted.

Application

3. These regulations shall only apply where the contract or arrangement leading to the provision of general dental services is made after 30th September 1980.

14th July 1980.

Patrick Jenkin,
Secretary of State for Social Services.

(a) 1977 c. 49.

(b) S.I. 1978/950; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1979/677 and S.I. 1980/352.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations amend the National Health Service (Dental and Optical Charges) Regulations 1978 by increasing the charges for certain items of special dental treatment and by prescribing that no charge shall be payable by a patient for the exceptional attendance by a dentist at his surgery in order to provide emergency treatment.