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**NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND AND
WALES**

**The National Health Service (Charges to Overseas
Visitors) Amendment Regulations 1988**

<i>Made - - - -</i>	<i>6th January 1988</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>11th January 1988</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	<i>1st February 1988</i>

The Secretary of State for Social Services, in exercise of powers conferred on him by section 121 of 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 (Charges to Overseas Visitors) Amendment Regulations 1988 and shall come into force on 1st February 1988.

Amendment of Regulations

2.—(1) The National Health Service (Charges to Overseas Visitors) (No. 2) Regulations 1982(b) are amended in accordance with the following paragraphs of this regulation.

(2) In regulation 3 (services exempted from charges), for paragraph (d) there is substituted the following paragraph—

“(d) at a special clinic for the treatment of sexually transmitted diseases or in respect of a sexually transmitted disease by virtue of a reference from such a clinic, but in the case of services which relate to infection with any Human Immunodeficiency Virus, only to the extent that they consist of a diagnostic test for evidence of infection with any such Virus and counselling associated with that test or its result;”.

(3) In Schedule 3 (charges for services provided for overseas visitors otherwise than as in-patients) to columns (1), (2) and (3) there are added at the end the following entries set out in columns (1), (2) and (3) respectively—

(a) 1977 c.49; see section 128(1) for the definitions of “prescribed” and “regulations”.
(b) S.I. 1982/863; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1983/302, 1986/459 and 1987/371.

<i>Column (1) Services provided</i>	<i>Column (2) Hospital Class A-E</i>	<i>Column (3) Hospital Class F and G</i>
SUPPLY OF DRUGS AND MEDICINES		
11. For the supply of a drug or medicine which is designed to eliminate, prevent the replication of, or in any way inhibit the mode of action of, any Human Immunodeficiency Virus – for each quantity sufficient for one day's treatment.	14.50	14.50

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Social Services.

6th January 1988

Skelmersdale
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
Department of Health and Social Security

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the National Health Service (Charges to Overseas Visitors) (No. 2) Regulations 1982 which prescribe charges for some overseas visitors for services forming part of the national health service.

Regulation 2(2) replaces an exemption from charges relating to clinics for sexually transmitted diseases; in particular, the new exemption extends, in the case of treatment relating to a Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), only to testing and associated counselling.

Regulation 2(3) introduces a charge for hospital out-patients for the supply of a drug or medicine designed to treat HIV.

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