

**2003 No. 586**

**NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND**

**The National Health Service (Dental Charges) Amendment  
Regulations 2003**

*Made - - - - - 7th March 2003*  
*Laid before Parliament 10th March 2003*  
*Coming into force 1st April 2003*

The Secretary of State for Health in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 79A of, and paragraph 3(2) and 3(3) of Schedule 12 to, the National Health Service Act 1977<sup>(a)</sup> and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

**Citation, commencement and application**

**1.**—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the National Health Service (Dental Charges) Amendment Regulations 2003 and shall come into force on 1st April 2003.

(2) These Regulations apply to England only.

**Amendment of the National Health Service (Dental Charges) Regulations 1989**

**2.** In regulation 4 of the National Health Service (Dental Charges) Regulations 1989 (calculation of charges)<sup>(b)</sup>, in paragraph (5), for “£366” in both places where it occurs, there is substituted “£372”.

**Revocation**

**3.** The National Health Service (Dental Charges) Amendment Regulations 2002<sup>(c)</sup> are hereby revoked.

**Transitional provision**

**4.** Where, on or after 1st April 2003, appliances are supplied, or other general dental services are provided, in pursuance of a contract or arrangement for the provision of general dental services made before that date, regulation 4(5) of the National Health Service (Dental Charges) Regulations 1989 shall have effect in respect of that supply or other provision as if these Regulations had not come into force.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Health

7th March 2003

*David Lammy*  
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,  
Department of Health

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<sup>(a)</sup> 1977 (c.49). Section 79A was inserted by section 11(3) of the Health and Medicines Act 1988 (c.49).

<sup>(b)</sup> S.I. 1989/394. Regulation 4 has been amended by S.I. 1998/2221, S.I. 2000/977, S.I. 2002/544 and S.I. 2002/2353.

<sup>(c)</sup> S.I. 2002/544.

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations further amend the National Health Service (Dental Charges) Regulations 1989 to increase from £366 to £372 the maximum charge payable by the patient for dental treatment and appliances, where the contract or arrangement leading to the provision of such treatment or appliances is made on or after 1st April 2003.

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