STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2005 No. 3070

PUBLIC HEALTH

The Vaccine Damage Payments (Amendment) Regulations 2005

Made - - - 3rd November 2005

Laid before Parliament 8th November 2005

Coming into force - - 5th December 2005

The Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 2(5) of the Vaccine Damage Payments Act 1979(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 Vaccine Damage Payments (Amendment) Regulations 2005 and shall come into force on 5th December 2005.

Amendment of Regulation 5 of the Vaccine Damage Payments Regulations 1979

- **2.** In regulation 5 of the Vaccine Damage Payments Regulations 1979(**b**) (vaccinations to be treated as carried out in England), for sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (2) substitute—
 - "(b) a person is a member of the family of a serving member of Her Majesty's forces if—
 - (i) he is the spouse or civil partner of that serving member,
 - (ii) he and that serving member live together as husband and wife or as if they were civil partners, or
 - (iii) he is a child whose requirements are provided by that serving member."

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions.

Anne C McGuire
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
Department for Work and Pensions

3rd November 2005

⁽b) S.I. 1979/432.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

These Regulations amend regulation 5 of the Vaccine Damage Payments Regulations 1979 (which specifies the cases in which vaccinations given outside the United Kingdom and the Isle of Man to serving members of Her Majesty's Forces or members of their families are to be treated as carried out in England). The amendment widens the definition of the family of serving members of Her Majesty's Forces to include civil partners of such members and persons who live together with such members as husband and wife or as if they were civil partners.

A full Regulatory Impact Assessment has not been produced for this instrument as it has no impact on the costs of business.