
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the National Health Service (General Dental Services Contracts) Regulations 2005 (“the GDS Regulations”) (S.I. 2005/3361) and the National Health Service (Personal Dental Services Agreements) Regulations 2005 (“the PDS Regulations”) (S.I. 2005/3373).

Regulation 3 amends the definition of family member in the GDS Regulations and PDS Regulations by removing the reference to registered in relation to a patient as patients will no longer be registered with a dental practitioner.

Regulation 4 corrects an error in paragraph 3(4) of Schedule 2 to the GDS Regulations in respect of the units of orthodontic activity provided in respect of a patient aged 18 years or over so as to refer to 23 units of orthodontic activity.

Regulation 5 corrects a reference in paragraph 69(3)(b) of Schedule 3 to the PDS Regulations so as to refer to “that body”. It also corrects a reference in paragraph 13 of Schedule 4 so as to refer to “dental services” in respect of the arrangements that fall outside normal surgery hours.

A Regulatory Impact Assessment has been prepared in respect of the National Health Service (General Dental Services Contracts) Regulations 2005 and the National Health Service (Personal Dental Services Agreements) Regulations 2005 and copies have been placed in the library of each House of Parliament. A copy of the Regulatory Impact Assessment can be obtained from www.dh.gov.uk/ria.