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Social Care Professions) Regulations 2007**

PART 13

OPTICIANS: OTHER LEGISLATION

Amendment of the National Health Service Act 1977

189. In the National Health Service Act 1977(1), in section 128 (interpretation and construction), in subsection (1), in the definition of “ophthalmic optician”, after “Opticians Act 1989” insert “, or in the register

of visiting optometrists from relevant European States maintained under section 8B(1)(a) of that Act(2),”.

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- (1) [1977 c.49](#). The definition of “ophthalmic optician” was substituted by [S.I. 2005/848](#), and is prospectively amended by the Health Act 2006 ([c.28](#)), Schedule 8, paragraph 24(b). The National Health Service Act 1977 (“the 1977 Act”) was repealed by the National Health Service (Consequential Provisions) Act 2006 ([c.43](#)) (“the 2006 Act”). However, by virtue of section 8(4) (q) and (5) of the 2006 Act, the repeal of the definition of “ophthalmic optician” in the 1977 Act has not yet come into force.
- (2) Section 8B was inserted by [S.I. 2007/3101](#)