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PART 7

Amendments to the National Health Service Commissioning Board and Clinical Commissioning Groups (Responsibilities and Standing Rules) Regulations 2012

Amendment of regulation 5 of the Principal Regulations

19. In regulation 5 of the Principal Regulations (interpretation of Part 3)—

(a) after the definition of "emergency services", insert the following definition-

""mandatory dental services" means dental services which are equivalent in nature to services which must be provided under a general dental services contract by virtue of provision in regulation 14 of the National Health Services (General Dental Services Contracts) Regulations 2005 (mandatory services);"(1); and

(b) after the definition of "secondary care services", insert the following definition-

""sedation services" means a course of treatment provided to a patient in connection with the provision to that patient of mandatory dental services during which the provider of that treatment administers one or more drugs to the patient which produce a state of depression of the central nervous system to enable treatment to be carried out, and during and in respect of that period of sedation—

- (a) the drugs and techniques used to provide the sedation are deployed by the provider of the treatment in a manner that ensures loss of consciousness is rendered unlikely; and
- (b) verbal contact with the patient is maintained in so far as is reasonably possible;".