
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2013 No. 461

**The National Health Service (Optical
Charges and Payments) Regulations 2013**

PART 8

MISCELLANEOUS

Signatures and claims for payments

26. A signature required by these Regulations may be given, and a claim for a payment pursuant to regulations 6 or 24 may be made —

- (a) on behalf of a child by either parent or, in the absence of both parents, the guardian or other adult person who has the care of the child;
- (b) on behalf of any other person who is incapable of giving the signature or making the claim, by a relative or any other adult who has the care of that person; or
- (c) on behalf of any person under 18 years of age who is—
 - (i) looked after by a local authority within the meaning of section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989⁽¹⁾ (general duty of local authority in relation to children looked after by them), by a person authorised by that authority;
 - (ii) accommodated by a voluntary organisation within the meaning of section 59 of the Children Act 1989⁽²⁾ (provision of accommodation by voluntary organisations), by that organisation or a person authorised by it.

(1) 1989 c.41. Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989 was amended by paragraph 19 of Schedule 5 to the Local Government Act 2000 (c.22), section 2 of the Children (Leaving Care) Act 2000 (c.35), and section 116 of the Adoption and Children Act 2002 (c.38).

(2) Section 59 of the Children Act 1989 was amended by section 49 of the Children Act 2004 (c.31), paragraph 14 of Schedule 4 to the Care Standards Act 2000 (c.14) and paragraph 2 of Schedule 1 to the Children and Young Persons Act 2008 (c.23).