
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2017 No. 1056

The National Health Service (Primary Dental Services and General Ophthalmic Services) (Amendment) Regulations 2017

Amendment to the Primary Ophthalmic Services Regulations

- 7.—(1) The Primary Ophthalmic Services Regulations are amended as follows.
- (2) In regulation 2(1)(1) (interpretation)—
- (a) for the definition of “Charges Regulations”, substitute—
- ““Charges Regulations” means the National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) Regulations 2013;”;
- (b) for the definition of “notice of entitlement”, substitute—
- ““notice of entitlement to full remission” means a notice of entitlement to full remission of a NHS charge issued under regulation 8 of the National Health Service (Travel Expenses and Remission of Charges) Regulations 2003 for the purposes of remission of charges under the Act;”.
- (3) In regulation 3(2)(h) (sight tests—eligibility), after the word “entitlement”, insert “to full remission;”.
- (4) In regulation 5(2)(2) (sight test treated as a test under general ophthalmic services), for “regulation 8(1)(a) of the Charges Regulations” substitute “regulation 8(1) of the Charges Regulations”.
- (5) After regulation 6(2) (application and signatures by children or persons incapable) insert—
- “(3) a signature required by these Regulations must—
- (i) where an electronic form is used, be in digital ink; or
- (ii) where a paper form is used be in ink,
- and must be in the signatory’s own handwriting with the signatory’s initials or forename and surname, and not by means of a stamp or a reproduced image.”.