#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2018 No. 1114

The National Health Service (Pharmaceutical Services, Charges and Prescribing) (Amendment) Regulations 2018

### PART 3

## Amendments to the Charges Regulations

### Amendment of regulation 2 of the Charges Regulations

- 11.—(1) Regulation 2(1) of the Charges Regulations(1) (interpretation) is amended as follows.
- (2) In sub-paragraph (c) of the definition of "electronic prescription form", after "nominated dispensing contractor" insert "or via an information hub".
- (3) In sub-paragraph (b) of the definition of "electronic repeatable prescription", after "nominated dispensing contractor" insert "or via an information hub".
  - (4) At the appropriate place in the alphabetical order insert—
    - ""NHS BSA" means the NHS Business Services Authority established by the NHS Business Services Authority (Awdurdod Gwasanaethau Busnes y GIG) (Establishment and Constitution) Order 2005(2);".
  - (5) At the appropriate place in the alphabetical order insert—
    - ""paramedic independent prescriber" means a person—
    - (a) who is registered in Part 8 of the register maintained under article 5 of the Health and Social Work Professions Order 2001(3) (establishment and maintenance of register); and
    - (b) against whose name in that register is recorded an annotation signifying that that person is qualified to order drugs, medicines or appliances as a paramedic independent prescriber;".
- (6) In the definition of "prescriber", after "optometrist independent prescriber" insert ", a paramedic independent prescriber".
  - (7) At the appropriate place in the alphabetical order insert—
    - ""relevant body" means—
    - (a) a health service body or local authority, pursuant to arrangements with which a provider of NHS services provides NHS services; or
    - (b) the NHS BSA;".

<sup>(1)</sup> Regulation 2 has been amended by S.I. 2015/1879 and 2016/696 and 1077.

<sup>(2)</sup> S.I. 2005/2414; amended by S.I. 2006/632, 2007/1201, 2013/235, 2015/1862, 2017/959 and 2018/378.

<sup>(3)</sup> S.I. 2002/254; amended by S.I. 2009/1182. The Health and Social Work Professions Order 2001 is to be renamed the Health Professions Order 2001 by virtue of the Children and Social Work Act 2017 (c. 16), Schedule 5, paragraph 45, on a date to be appointed.