STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2019 No. 1137

The National Health Service (General Medical Services Contracts and Personal Medical Services Agreements) (Amendment) Regulations 2019

PART 2

Amendment of the GMS Contracts Regulations

Amendment of regulation 24 of the GMS Contracts Regulations

5. In regulation 24 of the GMS Contracts Regulations (fees and charges), after paragraph (2) insert—

"(2A) The contractor must not, either itself or through any other person, demand or accept from any of its patients a fee or other remuneration for its own benefit or for the benefit of another person, for the completion, in relation to the patient's mental health, of—

- (a) a mental health evidence form; or
- (b) any examination of the patient or of the patient's medical record in order to complete the form,

the purpose of which is to assist creditors in deciding what action to take where the debtor has a mental health problem.

(2B) The contractor must not, either itself or through any other person, demand or accept from anyone who is not a patient of the contractor, a fee or other remuneration for its own benefit or for the benefit of another person, for either of the following services provided on practice premises to which regulation 20(6)(b) applies, unless those services are provided outside of core hours—

- (a) for treatment consisting of an immunisation for which the contractor receives no remuneration from the Board when provided to its patients and which is requested in connection with travel abroad; or
- (b) for prescribing or providing drugs or medicines for malaria chemoprophylaxis.".