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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2020 No. 885**

**The National Health Service (Coronavirus) (Charges and Further Amendments Relating to the Provision of Primary Care Services During a Pandemic etc.) Regulations 2020**

**Amendment of the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Regulations 2015**

2.—(1) The National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Regulations 2015(1) are amended as follows.

(2) After regulation 10 insert—

**“Declarations, signatures and evidence of entitlement or of payment during a pandemic etc.**

**10A.**—(1) Where, by virtue of these Regulations, a person is required to make, provide, complete or sign any declaration, or provide any evidence (including by way of completing a form or providing a certificate), but as a consequence of a disease being, or in anticipation of a disease being imminently—

- (a) pandemic; and
- (b) a serious risk or potentially a serious risk to human health,

the Secretary of State has made an announcement to the effect that, in order to assist in the management of the serious risk or potentially serious risk to human health, for the period specified in the announcement, that requirement is to be waived or modified in the manner specified in the announcement, that requirement is waived or is as modified in the specified manner for the specified period.

(2) Modifications under paragraph (1) may include modifications imposing requirements on a person other than the person who, but for the announcement, would be required to make, provide, complete or sign any declaration, or provide any evidence.

(3) An announcement under paragraph (1) may be withdrawn or amended at any time.”.