
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2023 No. 171

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND

**The National Health Service (Amendments Relating to
Pre-Payment Certificates, Hormone Replacement Therapy
Treatments and Medicines Shortages) Regulations 2023**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>20th February 2023</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>21st February 2023</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st April 2023</i>

The Secretary of State for Health and Social Care makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 89(1) and (2)(a) and (d), 94(1) and (3)(d) and (f), 126, 129, 132(1), 172(1), 174, 178(1)(b), (2)(a) and (b) and (3), 182 and 272(7) and (8)(a) of, and paragraph 3(1) and (3)(c) and (f) of Schedule 12 to, the National Health Service Act 2006(1).

(1) 2006 c. 41. Section 126 of the National Health Service Act 2006 (“the 2006 Act”) has been amended by: the Health and Social Care Act 2012 (c. 7) (“the 2012 Act”), sections 213(7)(k) and 220(7), and Schedule 4, paragraph 63; the Children and Social Work Act 2017 (c. 16), Schedule 5, paragraphs 30 and 47(j); and the Health and Care Act 2022 (c. 31) (“the 2022 Act”), Schedule 1, paragraph 1. Section 129 of the 2006 Act has been amended by: the Health Act 2009 (c. 21), sections 26 and 27, and Schedule 6; the 2012 Act, section 207(1) to (9), and Schedule 4, paragraph 66; the Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 (c. 9), Schedule 9, paragraphs 120 and 121; the 2022 Act, Schedule 1, paragraph 1; and S.I. 2010/231. See section 275(1) of the 2006 Act for the definitions of “prescribed” and “regulations” that are relevant to the powers being exercised. The powers conferred by these sections are exercisable by the Secretary of State only in relation to England, by virtue of section 271(1) of the 2006 Act.