WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2003 No. 975

The National Health Service (Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges) (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2003

Insertion of regulation 3A into the principal Regulations

4. After regulation 3 of the principal Regulations insert the following regulation—

"Entitlement to payment for travel abroad

3A.—(1) Where a person receives services provided outside the United Kingdom pursuant to arrangements made under section 23 of the Act or paragraph 13 of Schedule 2 to the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990, that person is entitled, subject to paragraph (2), to payment or repayment of the whole amount of the travelling expenses incurred by him in travelling from a port in Great Britain to a destination outside the United Kingdom in order to receive treatment there (including the travelling expenses of a companion in a case where it is necessary on medical grounds that the person should be accompanied).

(2) The entitlement to payment in paragraph (1) is dependent upon the health service body which has made the arrangements agreeing the mode and cost of the travel before costs are incurred.

(3) For the purposes of this regulation and regulations 3(3)(d), 5A, 7B and 8 "health service body" means a local health board, an NHS Trust or the National Assembly for Wales.".