### WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2010 No. 1647

# The National Health Service (Miscellaneous Amendments Relating to Independent Prescribing) (Wales) Regulations 2010

# Amendment of the National Health Service (General Medical Services Contracts) (Wales) Regulations 2004

- **3.**—(1) The National Health Service (General Medical Services Contracts) (Wales) Regulations 2004(1) are amended in accordance with the following provisions of this regulation.
  - (2) In regulation 2(1) (interpretation)
    - (a) for the definition of "independent nurse prescriber" substitute
      - ""independent nurse prescriber" means a person —
      - (a) who is either engaged or employed by the contractor or is a party to the contract,
      - (b) who is registered in the Nursing and Midwifery Register, and
      - (c) against whose name in that register is recorded an annotation or entry signifying that he or she is qualified to order drugs, medicines and appliances as a community practitioner nurse prescriber;";
    - (b) for the definition of "nurse independent prescriber" substitute
      - ""nurse independent prescriber" means a person —
      - (a) who is either engaged or employed by the contractor or is a party to the contract,
      - (b) whose name is registered in the Nursing and Midwifery Register, and
      - (c) against whose name in that register is recorded an annotation or entry signifying that he or she is qualified to order drugs, medicines and appliances as—
        - (i) a nurse independent prescriber, or
        - (ii) a nurse independent/ supplementary prescriber, and
      - (d) who, in respect of a person practising in Wales on or after 19 July 2010, has passed an accredited course to practise as a nurse independent prescriber;"; and
    - (c) in the definition of "supplementary prescriber", in paragraph (c), after the words "as a supplementary prescriber" add ", save in the case of the Nursing and Midwifery Register, where the annotation signifies qualification as a nurse independent/supplementary prescriber".
  - (3) After regulation 2(2) add the following paragraph—
    - "(3) Where the term "community practitioner nurse prescriber" appears in the POM Order or the Nursing and Midwifery Register it is to be construed for the purposes of these Regulations as a reference to an "independent nurse prescriber"."

- (4) In paragraph 49(3) of Schedule 6 omit the words "whose name is registered" to the end.
- (5) In paragraph 49(4) of Schedule 6 omit the words from "whose name is registered" to "as a supplementary prescriber" in both places where they appear.

## **Commencement Information**

II Reg. 3 in force at 19.7.2010, see reg. 1(1)

Changes to legislation:
There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The National Health Service
(Miscellaneous Amendments Relating to Independent Prescribing) (Wales) Regulations 2010, Section 3.