
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the National Health Service (Charges to Overseas Visitors) Regulations 1989 (“the principal Regulations”).

Regulation 5 of the principal Regulations sets out the circumstances in which an overseas visitor will be exempt from charges for treatment the need for which arose during the overseas visitor’s visit to the United Kingdom.

These Regulations amend the principal Regulations to provide an exemption for individuals who are in Wales as part of the Commonwealth Games Family during the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow between 19 July and 7 August 2014, as part of the IPC Athletics European Championships Family during the International Paralympic Committee European Athletics Championships in Swansea between 14 and 27 August 2014 and as accredited persons attending the North Atlantic Treaty Organization summit between 2 and 6 September 2014.

Regulation 2(5) inserts a new Schedule 4 into the principal Regulations which defines what is meant by “Commonwealth Games Family”, “IPC Athletics European Championships Family” and “NATO delegate or accredited person”.

These Regulations also revoke Schedule 3 to the principal Regulations which provided an exemption for individuals who were part of the Games Family during the Olympic and Paralympic Games in London 2012 .

The Welsh Ministers’ Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to these Regulations. As a result, it was not considered necessary to carry out a regulatory impact assessment as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with these Regulations.