
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the National Health Service (General Medical Services Contracts) (Wales) Regulations 2004, the National Health Service (Free Prescriptions and Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Wales) Regulations 2007 and the National Health Service (Pharmaceutical Services) (Wales) Regulations 2013 by extending the definition of prescriber through the insertion of an additional category of independent prescriber: therapeutic radiographer independent prescriber and by extending the definition of supplementary prescriber to include dietitians.

These Regulations also amend the Single Use Carrier Bags Charge (Wales) Regulations 2010 by extending the exemption from the requirement to charge for single use carrier bags.

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.