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PROSPECTIVE

SCHEDULE 3

Other contractual terms

PART 2

Patients

Patient preference of practitioner

27.—(1) Where the contractor has accepted an application made under paragraphs [23](#), [24](#) or [25](#) for inclusion in its list of patients, the contractor must record in writing any preference expressed by that person (or, in the case of a child or an adult who lacks capacity, the person who made the application on the applicant's behalf) to receive services from a particular performer, either generally or in relation to a specific condition.

(2) The contractor must endeavour to comply with any reasonable preference expressed under sub-paragraph (1) but need not do so if the preferred performer—

- (a) has reasonable grounds for refusing to provide services to the person who expressed the preference, or
- (b) does not routinely perform the service in question within the contractor's practice.

Commencement Information

II Sch. 3 para. 27 in force at 1.10.2023, see [reg. 1\(2\)](#)

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- Sch. 3 para. 27 coming into force by [S.I. 2023/953 reg. 1\(2\)](#)

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- Sch. 3 para. 16(3) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1421 reg. 18\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 5 para. 2(2)(a)(iv)(aa) omitted by [S.I. 2023/1421 reg. 20\(d\)](#)
- Sch. 5 para. 2(2)(a)(i)(aa) word substituted by [S.I. 2023/1421 reg. 20\(c\)](#)