
DRAFT STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2016 No.

**The Welfare Supplementary Payments
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016**

PART 4

MISCELLANEOUS

Temporary absence from Northern Ireland to receive medical treatment

15.—(1) Where a person is temporarily absent from Northern Ireland, the person is treated as present in Northern Ireland for the purposes of these Regulations for the first 13 weeks of that absence, where—

- (a) the person's absence is solely in connection with arrangements made for the medical treatment of the person for a disease or bodily or mental disablement which commenced before the person left Northern Ireland; and
- (b) the arrangements referred to in sub-paragraph (a) relate to medical treatment—
 - (i) outside Northern Ireland,
 - (ii) during the period whilst the person is temporarily absent from Northern Ireland, and
 - (iii) by, or under the supervision of, a person appropriately qualified to carry out that treatment.

(2) In this regulation "temporarily absent" has the same meaning as in regulation 14(2).