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HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES**The Health and Personal Social Services (Indicative Amounts) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992***Made* 21st February 1992*Coming into operation* 1st April 1992

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 21(6) of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1991(a) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Health and Personal Social Services (Indicative Amounts) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1992.

(2) In these regulations—

“the Order” means the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1991;

“the Drug Tariff” means the statement published and from time to time amended under regulation 40 of the Health and Personal Social Services (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1973(b);

“listed appliance” means an appliance which is included in a list for the time being approved by the Department for the purposes of Article 63 of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(c);

“manufacturer’s list price” means the price the manufacturer of a drug or medicine or his agent from time to time publishes as being the price of that drug or medicine.

Basic price of drugs, medicines and listed appliances

2.—(1) For the purposes of Article 21 of the Order (indicative amounts for doctors’ practices), the basic price of a drug, medicine or listed appliance shall be calculated in accordance with the following paragraphs.

(a) S.I. 1991/194 (N.I. 1)

(b) S.R. & O. 1973 No. 421 as amended by S.R. 1975 No. 180 and S.R. 1987 No. 247

(c) S.I. 1972/1265 (N.I. 14)

(2) Where the name of a drug or medicine is listed in the Drug Tariff in a list which specifies a price for a specified quantity of that drug or medicine, the basic price of that drug or medicine shall be the price so specified on the date on which the drug or medicine is supplied.

(3) Where the name of a drug or medicine is not listed in the Drug Tariff the basic price of that drug or medicine shall be the manufacturer's list price on the date the drug or medicine is supplied.

(4) The basic price of a listed appliance shall be the price of the appliance listed in the Drug Tariff on the date the appliance is supplied.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services on 21st February 1992.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations make provision for the calculation of the basic price of drugs, medicines and listed appliances for the purposes of enabling Health and Social Services Boards to specify indicative amounts for doctors' practices.

An indicative amount is an amount of money representing the basic price of the drugs, medicines and listed appliances which a Health and Social Services Board considers it is reasonable to expect will be supplied in a year pursuant to orders given by or on behalf of doctors' practices.

The Drug Tariff referred to in the Regulations is sent free of charge to all persons on the medical and pharmaceutical lists.