

2002 No. 213

HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES

**The General Medical Services (Amendment) Regulations
(Northern Ireland) 2002**

Made 30th May 2002

Coming into operation 1st July 2002

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety^(a), in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 56, 106(b) and 107(6) of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972^(b) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, and in conjunction with the Department of Finance and Personnel and after consultation with such organisations as appear to the Department to be representative of the medical profession, as required by Article 56(5) of that Order, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the General Medical Services (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002 and shall come into operation on 1st July 2002.

(2) In these Regulations “the principal Regulations” means the General Medical Services Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997^(c).

Amendment to Part IX of Schedule 3 to the principal Regulations

2. In Part IX of Schedule 3 to the principal Regulations (criteria for inclusion and retention in the minor surgery list) after paragraph 2(c) insert—

- (cc) “he has provided evidence that he complies with current guidance given by the Department on the protection of health care workers and patients from Hepatitis B;”.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety on 30th May 2002.

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(a) S.I. 1999/283 (N.I. 1), *see* Article 3(6)
(b) S.I. 1972/1265 (N.I. 14) as amended by S.I. 1978/1907 (N.I. 26), S.I. 1981/432, S.I. 1986/2229 (N.I. 24), S.I. 1991/194 (N.I. 1) and S.I. 1997/1177 (N.I. 7)
(c) S.R. 1997 No. 380 to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations further amend the General Medical Services Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997 (“the principal Regulations”) which regulate the terms on which doctors provide general medical services under the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972.

Regulation 2 amends Part IX of Schedule 3 to the principal Regulations to ensure that doctors confirm at quinquennial review that they continue to follow the Departmental Guidance regarding protection of health care workers and patients from Hepatitis B.

These Regulations impose no cost on business.

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