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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2003 No. 133**

**HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES**

**The General Medical Services (Amendment  
No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003**

*Made* - - - - *5th March 2003*

*Coming into operation* *1st April 2003*

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety<sup>(1)</sup>, 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<sup>(2)</sup> 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 No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003 and shall come into operation on 1st April 2003.

(2) In these Regulations “the principal Regulations” means the General Medical Services Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997<sup>(3)</sup>.

**Amendment of the principal Regulations**

2.—(1) In the principal Regulations, Schedule 2 (terms of service for Doctors) shall be amended as follows.

(2) After paragraph 56 of Schedule 2 (annual reports), insert the following paragraph—

**“Appraisal Scheme**

**56A.** A doctor shall participate in the appraisal scheme provided by the Board.”

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(1) S.I.1999/283 (N.I. 1), *see* Article 3(6)

(2) 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. 1988/2249 (N.I. 24), S.I. 1991/194 (N.I. 1), 1995 c. 51 and S.I. 1997/1177(N.I. 7)

(3) S.R. 1997 No. 380; to which there are amendments not relevant to these regulations

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## 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.

The terms of service for doctors contained in Schedule 2 to those regulations are amended to ensure Doctors will participate in the appraisal scheme provided by the Boards.