
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2003 No. 205

HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES

The General Medical Services (Amendment
No. 3) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003

Made - - - - 31st March 2003

Coming into operation 22nd April 2003

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety⁽¹⁾, 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⁽²⁾ 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. 3) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003 and shall come into operation on 22nd April 2003.

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

Amendment of the principal Regulations

2.—(1) The principal Regulations shall be amended as follows.

(2) In Schedule 11 (drugs and other substances to be prescribed for supply only in certain circumstances), after “Tadalafil (Cialis)” in columns 1 and 2 respectively insert “ Vardenafil (Levitra)”.

(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. 1986/2023 (N.I. 20), 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 as amended by S.R. 2003 No. 6

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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 Regulations make changes to Schedule 11 to the principal Regulations, which lists drugs which may only be prescribed in certain circumstances.

Regulation 2 includes Vardenafil (Levitra) in Schedule 11 to the principal Regulations. This has the effect that this drug may only be prescribed under pharmaceutical services in the circumstances specified in that Schedule.