

REGULATIONS, DATED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1957, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE, UNDER THE HEALTH SERVICES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948.

1957. No. 200

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The Ministry of Health and Local Government, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Sections 6, 10, 12 and 80 of the Health Services Act (Northern Ireland), 1948, and in conjunction with the Ministry of Finance, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Health Services (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1957, and shall be deemed to have had effect from the 1st day of May, 1957.

2. In these Regulations, the words "principal regulations" mean the Health Services (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1956(a).

3. The sums of money referred to in sub-paragraphs (5), (6) and (7) of paragraph 27 of Part I of the First Schedule to the principal regulations shall be increased by 25 per cent.

Provided that, where a practitioner was, immediately prior to the 1st May, 1957, in receipt of an Initial Practice Allowance, it shall, as respects the remainder of the year to which it applies, be increased by the said 25% without regard to the provisions of sub-paragraphs (6) and (7) of paragraph 27.

4. For sub-paragraphs (4) and (5) of paragraph 28 of Part I of the First Schedule to the principal regulations, there shall be substituted the following sub-paragraphs:—

"(4) Where the Board are satisfied that the conditions referred to in the preceding sub-paragraphs and such other conditions as the Ministry, after due notice to and consultation with the recognised professional organisation, may specify, have been fulfilled in the case of any applicant they may pay him an allowance at the rate of £300 per annum.

(5) Any allowance granted in accordance with sub-paragraph (4) shall be increased by 12 shillings per annum in respect of each person in excess of 300 but not in excess of 500 on his list and shall be diminished by 12 shillings per annum in respect of each person in excess of 500 on his list."

5. Where an allowance granted to a practitioner under the provisions of paragraph 22 of Part I of the First Schedule to the Health Services (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1948(b), has continued to be effective in accordance with sub-paragraph (11) of paragraph 28 of Part I of the First Schedule to the principal regulations it shall be calculated at the yearly rate of either—

(a) S.R. & O. 1956, No. 150.

(b) S.R. & O. 1948, No. 147.

- (a) £420 less a sum calculated at the rate of 11 shillings in respect of each person, if any, on his list in excess of 500 at the commencement of the period in respect of which the application is made; or
- (b) the sum required to raise the practitioner's gross income from all professional sources for the year in respect of which the application is made to such figure not exceeding £1,500 as the Ministry may determine, whichever is the less.

Provided that where the year in respect of which an allowance is payable has commenced prior to the 1st May, 1957, such allowance shall as respects the remainder of that year to which it applies be calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph (a) irrespective of the practitioner's gross professional income for that period.

6. In Part I of the Second Schedule to the principal regulations there shall be inserted under the heading "Bandages" the following additional item:—

"tubular gauze, for stock orders only issued under paragraph 11(1)(c) of Part I of the First Schedule."

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Local Government this twenty-sixth day of September, one thousand nine hundred and fifty-seven, in the presence of

(L.S.)

J. L. O. Andrews,
Minister of Health and Local
Government.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance this thirtieth day of September, one thousand nine hundred and fifty-seven, in the presence of

(L.S.)

Terence O'Neill,
Minister of Finance.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Regulations amend the Health Services (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1956—

- (a) by increasing the Initial Practice Allowance (for general medical practitioners setting up new practices or securing small existing practices) by 25%;
- (b) by increasing the Supplementary Allowance (for small-list practitioners) and the Hardship Allowance (for elderly practitioners) by 20%;
- (c) by adding "tubular gauze bandages, for stock orders only" to the appliances listed in Part I of the Second Schedule.