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NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE

The National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2005

Made - - - - 8th June 2005

Laid before the Scottish Parliament 9th June 2005

Coming into force - - 1st July 2005

The Scottish Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 27(2), 69(1), 105(7) and 108(1) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978(a) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2005 and shall come into force on 1st July 2005.

Amendment of the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Regulations 2001

- **2.** In the definition of "supplementary prescriber" in regulation 2(1) of the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Regulations 2001(**b**)–
 - (a) at the end of sub-paragraph (b) omit "or"; and
 - (b) at the end of sub-paragraph (c) insert-

"; or

⁽a) 1978 c.29; section 27(2) was substituted by the National Health Service (Amendment) Act 1986 (c.66), section 3(3), amended by the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990 (c.19), Schedule 9, paragraph 19(7)(b) and is extended by the Health and Medicines Act 1988 (c.49), section 17(1); section 105(7), which contains provisions relevant to the making of regulations, was amended by the Health Services Act 1980 (c.53), Schedule 6, paragraph 5 and Schedule 7 and by the Health and Social Services and Social Security Adjudications Act 1983 (c.41), Schedule 9, Part 1, paragraph 24 and the Health Act 1999 (c.8), Schedule 4, paragraph 60; section 108(1) contains definitions of "prescribed" and "regulations" relevant to the exercise of the statutory powers under which these Regulations are made. The functions of the Secretary of State were transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998 (c.46).

⁽b) S.S.I. 2001/430; the definition of "supplementary prescriber" was inserted by S.S.I. 2003/295 and amended by S.I. 2004/1771.

- (d) the part of the register maintained by the Health Professions Council in pursuance of article 5 of the Health Professions Order 2001(a) relating to—
 - (i) chiropodists and podiatrists;
 - (ii) physiotherapists; or
 - (iii) radiographers: diagnostic or therapeutic".

ANDREW P KERR
A member of the Scottish Executive

St Andrew's House, Edinburgh 8th June 2005

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Regulations 2001 ("the principal Regulations") which provide for the making and recovery of charges for the supply of drugs, medicines and appliances under the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978.

These Regulations amend the definition of "supplementary prescriber" in the principal Regulations to include additional categories of health care professional who may also prescribe as a supplementary prescriber. The additional categories of health care professional are persons who are registered in the parts of the register maintained under article 5 of the Health Professions Order 2001 for chiropodists and podiatrists, for physiotherapists or for diagnostic or therapeutic radiographers and against whose name in the register is recorded an annotation signifying that they are qualified to order drugs, medicines and appliances as a supplementary prescriber.

The effect of the amendment is to make provision in the principal Regulations for the making and recovery of charges for the supply of drugs, medicines and appliances ordered by those additional categories of health care professional.

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