STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1992 No. 1104

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND AND WALES

The National Health Service (Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges) Amendment Regulations 1992

Made - - - - 5th May 1992
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The Secretary of State for Health, in exercise of powers conferred by sections 83A and 126(4) of the National Health Service Act 1977(1) and of all other powers enabling her in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the National Health Service (Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges) Amendment Regulations 1992 and shall come into force on 1st June 1992.
- (2) In these Regulations, "the 1988 Regulations" means the National Health Service (Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges) Regulations 1988(2).

Amendment of the 1988 Regulations

2. In regulation 8(2) of the 1988 Regulations (repayment) for the words "one month" there are substituted the words "three months".

Application of these Regulations

3.—(1) The amendment made by regulation 2 of these Regulations applies only in relation to a claim for repayment made under regulation 8(2) of the 1988 Regulations in respect of the payment, on or after 1st June 1992, of a relevant charge or relevant travelling expenses, as the case may be.

^{(1) 1977} c. 49; seesection 128(1) for the definitions of "prescribed" and "regulations"; section 83A was inserted by section 14(1) of the Social Security Act 1988 (c. 7), and amended by paragraph 6 of Schedule 2 to the Health and Medicines Act 1988 (c. 49) and by paragraph 18 of Schedule 9 to the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990 (c. 18) ("the 1990 Act"). Section 126(4) was amended by the 1990 Act, section 65(2).

⁽²⁾ S.I. 1988/551, was amended by S.I. 1989/517 and 614, 1990/548 and 1661 and 1991/557.

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(2) In paragraph (1) above the expressions "relevant charge" and "relevant travelling expenses" shall have the same meaning as in the 1988 Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Health

Brian Mawhinney
Minister
Department of Health

5th May 1992

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations further amend the National Health Service (Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges) Regulations 1988, which provide for the remission and repayment of certain charges which would otherwise be payable under the National Health Service Act 1977 and for the payment of travelling expenses incurred in attending a hospital. The time limit for making claims for repayment is extended from one month to three months (regulation 2). The extended time limit applies only in respect of charges paid or travelling expenses incurred on or after 1st June 1992 (regulation 3).