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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1996 No. 389**

**NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE,  
ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The National Health Service (Dental  
Charges) Amendment Regulations 1996**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>21st February 1996</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>29th February 1996</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st April 1996</i>

The Secretary of State for Health, in exercise of powers conferred on him by section 79A of, and paragraph 3(2) and 3(3) of Schedule 12 to, the National Health Service Act 1977<sup>(1)</sup> and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

**1.** These Regulations may be cited as the National Health Service (Dental Charges) Amendment Regulations 1996 and shall come into force on 1st April 1996.

**Amendment of the National Health Service (Dental Charges) Regulations 1989**

**2.** In regulation 4 of the National Health Service (Dental Charges) Regulations 1989<sup>(2)</sup> (calculation of charges), in paragraph (5), for “£300” in both places where it occurs there shall be substituted “£325”.

**Revocation**

**3.** The National Health Service (Dental Charges) Amendment Regulations 1995<sup>(3)</sup> are hereby revoked.

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(1) 1977 c. 49; see s.128(1) as amended by the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990 (c. 19), s.26(2)(g) and (i), for the definitions of “prescribed” and “regulations”. Section 79A was inserted by the Health and Medicines Act 1988 (c. 49), s.11(3).  
(2) S.I.1989/394; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1991/581, 1992/369, 1993/419, 1994/530 and 1995/444.  
(3) S.I. 1995/444, which will be spent on the coming into force of these Regulations.

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**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

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#### **Transitional Provisions**

4. Where, on or after 1st April 1996, appliances are supplied, or other general dental services are provided, in pursuance of a contract or arrangement for the provision of general dental services made before that date, regulation 4(5) of the National Health Service (Dental Charges) Regulations 1989 shall have effect in respect of that supply or other provision as if these Regulations had not come into force.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Health

Department of Health  
21st February 1996

*Gerald Malone*  
Minister of State,

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations further amend the National Health Service (Dental Charges) Regulations 1989 to increase from £300 to £325 the maximum charge payable by the patient for dental treatment and appliances, where the contract or arrangement leading to the provision of such treatment or appliances is made on or after 1st April 1996.