#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 1997 No. 2787

# NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND AND WALES

The National Health Service (Vocational Training) Amendment Regulations 1997

Made - - - - 24th November 1997

Laid before Parliament 25th November 1997

Coming into force - - 1st January 1998

The Secretary of State, in exercise of powers conferred on him by sections 31 and 32 of the National Health Service Act 1977(1) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

#### Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Health Service (Vocational Training) Amendment Regulations 1997 and shall come into force on 1st January 1998.

### Amendment of the National Health Service (Vocational Training) Regulations 1979

- **2.** In the National Health Service (Vocational Training) Regulations 1979(**2**), in regulation 2(1) (interpretation), for the definition of "trainee general practitioner" there shall be substituted the following definition—
  - ""trainee general practitioner"—
  - (a) means a "General Practice (GP) Registrar", as defined in regulations made under section 29 of the Act(3);
  - (b) in relation to Scotland and Northern Ireland, has the meaning assigned to it in regulations made, respectively, under section 19 of the National Health Service

<sup>(1) 1977</sup> c. 49. See section 128(1) as amended by the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990 (c. 19), section 26(2) (g) and (i), for the definitions of "prescribed" and "regulations". Section 31 was amended by S.I. 1985/39, article 7(5) and the Health Authorities Act 1995 (c. 17) ("the 1995 Act"), Schedule 1, paragraph 20. Section 32 was amended by S.I. 1985/39, article 7(6) and the 1995 Act, Schedule 1, paragraph 21.

<sup>(2)</sup> S.I. 1979/1644, to which there have been amendments which are not relevant to these Regulations.

<sup>(3)</sup> SeeS.I. 1992/635, amended by S.I. 1997/2468, regulation 3.

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- (Scotland) Act 1978(4) and article 56 of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(5); and
- (c) includes a practitioner who is being trained in general practice under an arrangement approved by the Armed Services General Practice Approval Board;".

Frank Dobson
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of
State,
Department of Health

24th November 1997

<sup>(4) 1978</sup> c. 29. Section 19 was amended by the Health Services Act 1980 (c. 53), section 7, by the Health and Social Services and Social Security Adjudications Act 1983 (c. 41), Schedule 7, paragraph 2, by the Medical Act 1983 (c. 54), Schedule 5, paragraph 17(a) and by the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990 (c. 19), section 37; and is to be read with the Health and Medicines Act 1988 (c. 49), section 17.

<sup>(</sup>**5**) S.I. 1972/1265 (N.I. 14).

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#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the National Health Service (Vocational Training) Regulations 1979 ("the 1979 Regulations") to substitute a new definition of "trainee general practitioner". The amendment reflects a change in terminology from "trainee general practitioner" to "General Practice (GP) Registrar" in the National Health Service (General Medical Services) Regulations 1992 (S.I. 1992/635), to which the 1979 Regulations refer.

These Regulations impose no costs on business.