STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1997 No. 697

The National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1997

Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1997 and shall come into force on 1st April 1997.
- (2) In these Regulations, "the principal Regulations" means the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Regulations 1989(1).

Amendments to the principal Regulations: amounts specified

- **2.**—(1) In regulation 3(1)(b) of the principal Regulations (supply of drugs and appliances by chemists), for the figure "£5.50" there shall be substituted the figure "£5.65".
 - (2) In regulation 8(5) of the principal Regulations (pre-payment certificates)–
 - (a) for the figure "£28.50" there shall be substituted the figure "£29.30"; and
 - (b) for the figure "£78.40" there shall be substituted the figure "£80.50".
- (3) For Schedules 1, 2 and 3 to the principal Regulations there shall be substituted those Schedules as set out in the Schedule to these Regulations.

Application

- **3.** These Regulations shall apply in relation to supplies of drugs and appliances made after 31st March 1997 except that—
 - (a) the substitution of Schedule 3 by regulation 2(3) above shall apply only where the examination or first examination leading to the supply of the specified appliance takes place after that date; and
 - (b) the amendment of regulation 8 (pre-payment certificates) of the principal Regulations by regulation 2(2) above shall apply only where the application referred to in paragraph (1) of the said regulation 8 is received after that date.

St Andrew's House, Edinburgh 6th March 1997

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⁽¹⁾ S.I.1989/326, amended by S.I. 1990/468, 1990/787, 1991/574, 1992/394, 1993/522, 1994/697, 1995/699 and 2739 and 1996/740.