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# The National Health Service (Pharmaceutical and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013

## PART 4

### **Excepted** applications

#### Applications for temporary listings arising out of suspensions

**27.**—(1) Section 129(2A) of the 2006 Act (regulations as to pharmaceutical services) does not apply to an application—

- (a) for temporary inclusion in a pharmaceutical list by a person not already included; or
- (b) by a person already included in a pharmaceutical list for temporary inclusion in that list in respect of services, or services and premises, other than those already listed in relation to that person,

from a person (X) who proposes to provide pharmaceutical services which are not being provided because the person listed in relation to them (Y) is suspended from the pharmaceutical list.

- (2) The NHSCB must refuse an application to which paragraph (1) applies—
  - (a) unless it is satisfied that—
    - (i) Y has nominated X as the person to provide those services for the duration of Y's suspension and consents to X doing so,
    - (ii) X will provide the same pharmaceutical services as those that Y provided or had undertaken to provide before the suspension, and
    - (iii) there is no direct or indirect connection between X and Y (including such a connection through a third party) the nature of which makes it unlikely that X will be able to exercise an appropriate degree of autonomy;
  - (b) if Y is a body corporate and X—
    - (i) is an employee of Y,
    - (ii) is, or was at the time of the suspension or of the originating events, a director or superintendent of Y,
    - (iii) is a body corporate in which Y or an employee of Y is a majority shareholder,
    - (iv) is a body corporate in which a majority shareholder of Y is, or was at the time of the suspension or of the originating events, a director or superintendent of X,
    - (v) is a body corporate which has a director or superintendent who is an employee of Y, or
    - (vi) is a body corporate which has as a director or superintendent someone who is, or was at the time of the suspension or of the originating events, a director or superintendent of Y;
  - (c) if Y is an individual and X—

- (i) is an employee of Y,
- (ii) is a body corporate of which Y or an employee of Y is a director or superintendent,
- (iii) is a body corporate in which Y or an employee of Y is a majority shareholder, or
- (iv) is a body corporate which has a director or superintendent who is an employee of Y; or
- (d) if Y is a partnership and X—
  - (i) is or has been a member or employee of Y,
  - (ii) is a body corporate of which a member or employee of Y is or has been a director, superintendent or majority shareholder, or
  - (iii) is a partnership of which X, or a member or employee of X, is or has been a member.
- (3) If an application to which—
  - (a) paragraph (1)(a) applies is granted, the applicant must only be included in the pharmaceutical list for a fixed period;
  - (b) paragraph (1)(b) applies is granted, the premises or services must only be listed in relation to the applicant for a fixed period.
- (4) The fixed periods referred to in paragraph (3) must be no longer than—
  - (a) the period of Y's suspension; or
  - (b) until Y notifies the NHSCB, with effect from a specified date (which must be at least 2 working days after the date of the notification), that Y no longer consents to X providing the services that X is providing because of Y's suspension from the pharmaceutical list.