STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2016 No. 1077

The National Health Service (Pharmaceutical Services, Charges and Prescribing) (Amendment) Regulations 2016

PART 2

Amendments relating to consolidation applications

Amendment of regulation 6 of the principal Regulations

- **3.** In regulation 6 of the principal Regulations (subsequent assessments), after paragraph (3) insert—
 - "(4) Where chemist premises are removed from a pharmaceutical list as a consequence of the grant of a consolidation application, if in the opinion of the relevant HWB the removal does not create a gap in pharmaceutical services provision that could be met by a routine application—
 - (a) to meet a current or future need for pharmaceutical services; or
 - (b) to secure improvements, or better access, to pharmaceutical services,

the relevant HWB must publish a supplementary statement explaining that, in its view, the removal does not create such a gap, and any such statement becomes part of its pharmaceutical needs assessment.".