EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Human Medicines Regulations 2012 ("the 2012 Regulations").

Regulation 8 amends Schedule 17 of the 2012 Regulations so that auto-injectors containing adrenaline can be administered in schools in an emergency to pupils who are known to require such medication. It also corrects an omission in the provisions allowing orthoptists to sell or supply certain prescription only medicines by requiring that there is an annotation against their names in the relevant register signifying that they are qualified to sell or supply the medicines.

Regulations 3-6 make minor drafting amendments to the 2012 Regulations to increase the clarity of certain provisions.

Regulation 7 amends regulation 346 of the 2012 Regulations to provide that the new provisions relating to auto-injectors containing adrenaline are subject to review by the Secretary of State.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no adverse impact on private, public or voluntary sectors is foreseen.