## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2021 No. 1346

The National Health Service (Charges, Primary Medical Services and Pharmaceutical and Local Pharmaceutical Services) (Coronavirus) (Further Amendments) Regulations 2021

## PART 2

## Amendments to the National Health Service (Pharmaceutical and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013

#### Amendment of Schedule 6 to the PLPS Regulations

**9.**—(1) Schedule 6 to the PLPS Regulations (terms of service of dispensing doctors) is amended as follows.

- (2) In paragraph 3B(1) (supply in accordance with a PTP or PTPGD)—
  - (a) in sub-paragraph (1), for "this Part," substitute "this Schedule,";
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (1)(b), after "supplied with that drug" insert "by D (Part 8 and this Schedule having that effect)";
  - (c) in sub-paragraph (1A), after "supplied with the drug" insert "by D (Part 8 and this Schedule having that effect)";
  - (d) after sub-paragraph (3) insert—

"(4) Sub-paragraph (1) does not apply where arrangements are in place for the provision of the drug ordered pursuant to the PTP or PTPGD as part of a directed service which includes arrangements for the provision of such a drug ordered in accordance with such a PTP or PTPGD.

(5) Sub-paragraph (1A) does not apply where arrangements are in place for the provision of the drug requested in accordance with the PTP or PTPGD as part of a directed service which includes arrangements for the provision of such a drug requested in accordance with such a PTP or PTPGD.".

(3) After paragraph 3B insert—

#### "Supply in accordance with a LPIV

**3C.**—(1) Subject to the following provisions of this Schedule, where—

(a) a dispensing doctor (D) receives a LPIV; and

<sup>(1)</sup> Inserted by S.I. 2020/1126 and amended by S.I. 2021/169.

(b) a person who is entitled to be supplied by D (Part 8 and this Schedule having that effect) with a prescription item ordered on the LPIV requests the provision of the item in accordance with that LPIV,

D must, with reasonable promptness, provide the prescription item so ordered.

- (2) If a person who is entitled as mentioned in sub-paragraph (1)(b) asks D to do so-
  - (a) D must give an estimate of the time when the prescription item will be ready; and
  - (b) if they are not ready by then, D must give a revised estimate of the time when the item will be ready (until it is ready).

(3) Sub-paragraph (1) does not apply where arrangements are in place for the provision of the item ordered on the LPIV as part of a directed service which includes arrangements for the provision of such an item ordered on such a LPIV.".

- (4) In paragraph 6(2) (refusal to provide drugs or appliances ordered)—
  - (a) in sub-paragraph (5), before "a PTP" insert "a LPIV,"; and
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (6)—
    - (i) before "a PTP" insert "a LPIV,", and
    - (ii) before "the PTP", at each place where it occurs (twice), insert "the LPIV,".