Medical Benefit Amendment Regulations

REGULATIONS, DATED 27TH MARCH, 1946, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR UNDER THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1936 to 1946.

1946 No. 52

The Ministry of Labour in exercise of the powers conferred on it by the National Health Insurance Acts (Northern Ireland), 1936 to 1946, and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:—

- 1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Amendment Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1946, and shall be read as one with the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1938 (hereinafter referred to as "the principal regulations"), as amended by the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Amendment Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1942.
- (2) The Interpretation Act, 1921, applies to the interpretation of these regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.
- 2. In its application to the year commencing on the 1st January, 1945, regulation 19 of the principal regulations as so amended shall be read as if for the reference in paragraph (i) to an amount calculated at the rate of nine shillings and ninepence per year there were substituted a reference to an amount calculated at the rate of ten shillings and sixpence per year, and as if for the reference in paragraph (ii) to an amount calculated at the rate of fourpence halfpenny per year there were substituted a reference to an amount calculated at the rate of fourpence three farthings per year.

Given under the Official Seal of the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland this 27th day of March, 1946.

(L.S.)

H. Anderson,
Assistant Secretary to the Ministry of Labour
for Northern Ireland.

REGULATIONS, DATED 23rd APRIL, 1946, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNDER THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1936 TO 1946.

1946. No. 56

The Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland

in exercise of the powers conferred on it by the National Health Insurance Acts (Northern Ireland), 1936 to 1946, and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:—

- 1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1946, and shall be read as one with the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1938, (hereinafter referred to as "the principal regulations"), as subsequently amended.
- (2) The Interpretation Act, 1921, applies to the interpretation of these regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.
- 2. The following rules shall be substituted for rules 63, 73, 74 and 75 in the First Schedule to the principal regulations (which sets out the terms of service for practitioners).
 - 63. If incapacity continues beyond eight days from the date of the first certificate the practitioner shall give further intermediate certificates, if so desired by the insured person, during the continuance of incapacity.

Except as hereinafter provided in relation to cases where the incapacity is likely to be prolonged, an intermediate certificate shall be given in every insurance week.

In this rule and in rules 73 and 75 of these rules "insurance week" means the period of seven days commencing from the midnight between Sunday and Monday.

- If in any case the practitioner, not earlier than one month after he has first given a certificate, is satisfied that the incapacity is likely to be prolonged, and that, owing to the nature of the disease or disablement, examination and treatment at intervals of more than one week will be sufficient, he may give Special Intermediate Certificates in the appropriate form, as set out in Part 2 of the Sixth Schedule to these Regulations, indicating in each certificate that he proposes to give further certificates at specified intervals longer than one week. The intervals so specified in any certificate shall not exceed four weeks, or, if the incapacity has continued for at least six months, eight weeks. Unless and until the Society give notice to the practitioner that they object to the proposed procedure, certificates may be given at the intervals specified, and for this purpose a certificate which is given during the insurance week in which the specified interval expires shall be deemed to have been given within the specified interval.
- 74. If at any time notice of objection is given by the Society, the practitioner may refer the matter to the Ministry who

shall have power to determine, for the purposes of these rules, at what intervals certificates are to be given by the practitioner.

75. During the period between the receipt by the practitioner of notice of objection on the part of the Society and the decision of the Ministry, the practitioner shall give an intermediate certificate in every insurance week.

3. The following footnote

"This number must not exceed four or, if the incapacity has continued for at least six months, eight."

shall be substituted for the footnote

"This number must not exceed four."

appended to the form of Special Intermediate Certificate set out in Part 2 of the Sixth Schedule to the principal regulations.

Given under the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland this twenty-third day of April, 1946.

(L.S.)

Thos. Elwood,

Assistant Secretary,
Ministry of Health and Local Government
for Northern Ireland.

REGULATIONS, DATED 15TH JULY, 1946, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNDER THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1936 TO 1946.

1946. No. 102

The Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland in exercise of the powers conferred on it by the National Health Insurance Acts (Northern Ireland), 1936 to 1946, and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:—

- 1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1946, shall be read as one with the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1938, (hereinafter referred to as "the principal regulations"), as subsequently amended, and shall come into force on the date hereof.
- (2) The Interpretation Act, 1921, applies to the interpretation of these regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.
- 2. The following proviso shall be added to paragraph 15 in Part II of the Second Schedule to the principal regulations:—