

These notes refer to the Savings Accounts and Health in Pregnancy Grant Act 2010 (c.36) which received Royal Assent on 16 December 2010

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS AND HEALTH IN PREGNANCY GRANT ACT 2010

EXPLANATORY NOTES

SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND

Health in Pregnancy Grant

12. The Act also removes entitlement to the health in pregnancy grant where a woman reaches the 25th week of her pregnancy on or after 1 January 2011.
13. The health in pregnancy grant was introduced in April 2009; it is a lump sum payment to almost all expectant women, made once they satisfy prescribed conditions as to the stage of their pregnancy, having received appropriate maternal health advice from health professionals. Entitlement also relies upon a woman being in the United Kingdom at the time of her claim to the grant. The conditions in which a person is to be treated as being, or not being, in the United Kingdom are prescribed in regulations. The health in pregnancy grant is not a taxable benefit.
14. The Government announced as part of the Budget, on 22 June 2010, that the health in pregnancy grant would be abolished.