STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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# The National Health Service (General Medical Services) (Scotland) Regulations 1995

### PART VI

### supply of drugs etc., by doctors

#### Arrangements for supply by doctors of drugs and appliances

**34.**—(1) Where the Board after consultation with the Area Pharmaceutical Committee is satisfied that a person, by reason of distance or inadequacy of means of communication or other exceptional circumstances, will have serious difficulty in obtaining from a pharmacist any drugs, not being scheduled drugs, or appliances required for his treatment under these Regulations, the Board shall require the doctor who is responsible for the treatment of the person to supply such drugs and appliances to that person until further notice.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in this regulation-

- (a) a doctor shall not be required to undertake the supply of drugs and appliances under this regulation if he satisfies the Board, or, on appeal, the Secretary of State, that he is not in the habit of dispensing drugs for his patients; and
- (b) a doctor shall be entitled to receive reasonable notice from the Board that he is required to undertake the supply of drugs and appliances under this regulation or that such supply is to be discontinued.