
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1997 No. 1780 (C. 74)

**NATIONAL HEALTH
SERVICE, ENGLAND AND WALES
NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, SCOTLAND
OPTICIANS**

The National Health Service (Primary Care)
Act 1997 (Commencement No. 1) Order 1997

Made - - - -

23rd July 1997

The Secretary of State, in exercise of powers conferred on him by section 41(3) of the National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997⁽¹⁾ and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:—

Citation and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997 (Commencement No. 1) Order 1997.

(2) In this Order, “the Act” means the National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997.

Appointed days

2.—(1) 15th August 1997 is the day appointed for the coming into force of the provisions of the Act specified in column (1) of the Schedule to this Order (the subject matter of each provision being mentioned in column (2)).

(2) 22nd August 1997 is the day appointed for the coming into force of section 4 of the Act (proposals for pilot schemes), in so far as it relates to pilot schemes under which personal medical services are provided.

(3) 1st September 1997 is the day appointed for the coming into force of section 31 of the Act (provision of certain services under NHS contracts).

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23rd July 1997

Frank Dobson
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of
State,
Department of Health

SCHEDULE

Article 2(1)

PROVISIONS OF THE ACT COMING INTO FORCE ON 15TH AUGUST 1997

<i>Column (1)</i> <i>Provision of the Act</i>	<i>Column (2)</i> <i>Subject Matter</i>
Section 9(1) and (2)	Relationship between provisions of the Act and the National Health Service Act 1977.
Section 10(1) and (2)	Relationship between provisions of the Act and the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978.
Section 13(1) and (3) to (8)	Preferential treatment on transfer to medical lists.
Section 18(1), (2) (except for paragraph (b)) and (3)	Funding of preparatory work.
Section 27	Provision of additional pharmaceutical services.
Section 28	Terms and conditions for additional pharmaceutical services.
Section 30	Duty of registered opticians to refer certain persons to registered medical practitioners.
Section 41(10), in so far as it relates to the provisions of Schedule 2 to the Act mentioned below	Introduction of Part I of Schedule 2.
Schedule 2, Part I, paragraphs 13, 14, 20, 27, 44, 45 and 51	Minor and consequential amendments relating to additional pharmaceutical services and regulations and directions under the 1977 Act and the 1978 Act.

EXPLANATORY NOTE*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order brings into force certain provisions of the National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997 (“the 1997 Act”).

Provisions which are brought into force on 15th August 1997 relate to the relationship between provisions on pilot schemes in the 1997 Act and certain provisions of the National Health Service Act 1977 or the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978, as the case may be; preferential treatment for practitioners who wish to be included in medical lists after ceasing to provide personal medical services under a pilot scheme; the funding of work preparatory to participation in a pilot scheme; the provision of additional pharmaceutical services and the duty of registered opticians to refer certain persons to registered medical practitioners.

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Other provisions, which are brought into force on 22nd August 1997, relate to the preparation of proposals for pilot schemes for the provision of personal medical services under the 1997 Act.

Provisions which are brought into force on 1st September 1997 relate to the provision of certain optical and pharmaceutical services under NHS contracts.