

**2001 No. 1652**

**PUBLIC HEALTH**

**The Vaccine Damage Payments (Specified Disease)  
Order 2001**

<i>Made - - - -</i>	<i>1st May 2001</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>4th May 2001</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	<i>30th May 2001</i>

The Secretary of State for Social Security, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 1(2)(i) and 2(2) of the Vaccine Damage Payments Act 1979(a) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

**1.**—(1) This Order may be cited as the Vaccine Damage Payments (Specified Disease) Order 2001 and shall come into force on 30th May 2001.

(2) In this Order, “the Act” means the Vaccine Damage Payments Act 1979.

**Addition to the diseases to which the Act applies**

**2.** Meningococcal Group C is specified as a disease to which the Act applies.

**Modification of conditions of entitlement**

**3.** The condition of entitlement in section 2(1)(b) of the Act (age or time at which vaccination was carried out) shall be omitted in relation to vaccination against Meningococcal Group C.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Social Security.

1st May 2001

*Hugh Bayley*  
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,  
Department of Social Security

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(a) 1979 c.17, as amended by section 23 of the Social Security Act 1985 (c.53), paragraphs 21, 53 and 54 of Schedule 2 to the Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Act 1991 (c.6) and sections 45 to 47 of, and paragraphs 5 to 10 of Schedule 7 to, the Social Security Act 1998 (c.75).

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

Article 2 of this Order adds Meningococcal Group C to the diseases to which the Vaccine Damage Payments Act 1979 (“the Act”) applies. Article 3 modifies the condition of entitlement in section 2(1)(b) of the Act so that it is not a condition in relation to Meningococcal Group C that the vaccinated person was under eighteen at the time or that there was an outbreak of the disease within the United Kingdom or Isle of Man when the vaccination was given.

This Order does not impose any costs on business.



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