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NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND

**The National Health Service (Dental Charges) Amendment
Regulations 2002**

Made - - - - - *5th March 2002*

Laid before Parliament *11th March 2002*

Coming into force - - *1st April 2002*

The Secretary of State for Health, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 79A of, and paragraph 3(2) and 3(3) of Schedule 12 to, the National Health Service Act 1977(a) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations—

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the National Health Service (Dental Charges) Amendment Regulations 2002 and shall come into force on 1st April 2002.

(2) These Regulations extend to England only.

Amendment of the National Health Service (Dental Charges) Regulations 1989

2. In regulation 4 of the National Health Service (Dental Charges) Regulations 1989(b) (calculation of charges), in paragraph (5), for “£360” in both places where it occurs there shall be substituted “£366”.

Revocation

3. The National Health Service (Dental Charges) Amendment Regulations 2001(c) are hereby revoked.

(a) 1977 c. 49; see section 128(1) as amended by the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990 (c. 19), section 26(2)(g) and (i), for the definitions of “prescribed” and “regulations”. Section 79A was inserted by the Health and Medicines Act 1988 (c. 49), section 11(3). The functions of the Secretary of State under the National Health Service Act 1977 are, so far as exercisable in relation to Wales, transferred to the National Assembly for Wales by article 2(a) of the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999, S.I. 1999/672 as amended by section 66(5) of the Health Act 1999 (c. 8). See also the Health and Social Care Act 2001 (c. 15), section 68.

(b) S.I. 1989/394; relevant amending instruments are S.I.s 1991/581, 1992/369, 1993/419, 1994/530, 1995/444, 1996/389, 1997/558, 1998/490, 1998/2221, 1999/544, 2000/596 and 2001/707.

(c) S.I. 2001/707

Transitional provisions

4. Where, on or after 1st April 2002, appliances are supplied, or other general dental services are provided, in pursuance of a contract or arrangement for the provision of general dental services made before that date, regulation 4(5) of the National Health Service (Dental Charges) Regulations 1989 shall have effect in respect of that supply or other provision as if these Regulations had not come into force.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Health

5th March 2002

Hazel Blears
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,
Department of Health

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations further amend the National Health Service (Dental Charges) Regulations 1989 to increase from £360 to £366 the maximum charge payable by the patient for dental treatment and appliances, where the contract or arrangement leading to the provision of such treatment or appliances is made on or after 1st April 2002.

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