STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2008 No. 653

The National Health Service Pension Scheme Regulations 2008

PART 3

BENEFITS FOR PRACTITIONERS ETC.

CHAPTER 3.J

MISCELLANEOUS AND SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS

Determinations

3.J.11 Determinations by medical practitioners

(1) The Secretary of State may make arrangements for functions under this Part in relation to decisions within paragraph (2) that are exercisable by the Secretary of State to be discharged by—

- (a) a registered medical practitioner (whether practising alone or as apart of a group) whom the Secretary of State has approved to act on the Secretary of State's behalf, or
- (b) a corporate or unincorporated body which—
 - (i) employs registered medical practitioners (whether under a contract of service or a contract for services), and
 - (ii) is so approved.

(2) This paragraph applies to any decision as to a person's health or degree of physical or mental infirmity or impairment that is required for the purposes of this Part and, in particular, any such decision required for the purposes of—

- (a) regulation 3.D.7(2)(a) or (3)(a) (early retirement on ill-health (active members)),
- (b) regulation 3.D.8(1)(a) or (b) or (3) (re-assessment of ill-health pension),
- (c) regulation 3.D.9(1)(a) or (2)(a) (early retirement on ill-health (deferred members),
- (d) regulation 3.D.15(6)(b) (procedure for allocation election under regulation 3.D.14),
- (e) regulation 3.E.9(1)(b)(ii) (meaning of "dependent child"),
- (f) regulation 3.J.4(1) (beneficiaries who are incapable of looking after their affairs).