
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2017 No. 870

The Social Security (Infected Blood and Thalidomide) Regulations 2017

Amendments to the State Pension Credit Regulations 2002

- 5.—(1) The State Pension Credit Regulations 2002(1) are amended as follows.
- (2) In regulation 1(2) (citation, commencement and interpretation)—
- (a) in the appropriate place insert—
- ““approved blood scheme” means a scheme established or approved by the Secretary of State, or trust established with funds provided by the Secretary of State, for the purpose of providing compensation in respect of a person having been infected from contaminated blood products;”;
- (b) in the definition of “qualifying person”, after “the Scottish Infected Blood Support Scheme” insert “, an approved blood scheme”.
- (3) In each of the following provisions, after “the Scottish Infected Blood Support Scheme” insert “, an approved blood scheme”—
- (a) paragraph 14(8)(b) of Schedule 2 (housing costs);
- (b) paragraph 15(1) and (7) of Schedule 5 (income from capital).
- (4) In Schedule 2, after paragraph 14(8)(c) insert—
- “(d) any payment made under or by a trust, established for the purpose of giving relief and assistance to disabled persons whose disabilities were caused by the fact that during their mother’s pregnancy she had taken a preparation containing the drug known as Thalidomide, and which is approved by the Secretary of State.”.
- (5) In Part 1 of Schedule 5, after paragraph 23E add—
- “**23F.** Any payment made under or by a trust, established for the purpose of giving relief and assistance to disabled persons whose disabilities were caused by the fact that during their mother’s pregnancy she had taken a preparation containing the drug known as Thalidomide, and which is approved by the Secretary of State.”.

(1) S.I. 2002/1792. Relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2004/1141, 2005/574 and 3391, 2008/2767, 2010/641, 2011/2425, 2017/329, 422 and 689.