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SCHEDULE 1

Amendments to the Dentists Act 1984

Professions complementary to dentistry: qualifications for registration

4.—(1) In section 36C(1) (qualifications for registration)—

- (a) in subsection (4)(a), after "qualifications" (in the first place it appears) insert ", other than a diploma in dentistry,";
- (b) in subsection (4)(b), at the end insert "(see sections 36CB (requisite knowledge and skill: holders of relevant qualifications) and 36CC (requisite knowledge and skill: recognition of relevant qualifications))";
- (c) omit subsection (5).

(2) After section 36CA insert—

"36CB. Requisite knowledge and skill: holders of relevant qualifications

(1) Rules may make provision for the purpose of determining whether a person who holds a relevant qualification has the requisite knowledge and skill mentioned in section 36C(4)(b).

- (2) Rules made by virtue of subsection (1) may (in particular) make provision—
 - (a) requiring the person to undertake an assessment;
 - (b) imposing such other requirements on the person as the Council considers appropriate;
 - (c) enabling the Council to require the payment of fees for the purpose of meeting expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by the Council in determining whether the person has the requisite knowledge and skill.

(3) In this section "relevant qualification" has the same meaning as in section 36C (see section 36C(4)(a)).

36CC. Requisite knowledge and skill: recognition of relevant qualifications

(1) The Council may recognise a relevant qualification of a particular kind as furnishing such guarantees as to the knowledge and skill of the person who holds the relevant qualification that no further enquiry into the knowledge and skill of that person is necessary.

(2) A person who holds a relevant qualification recognised by the Council for the time being in accordance with subsection (1) is to be taken to have satisfied the Council that the person holds the requisite knowledge and skill mentioned in section 36C(4)(b).

(3) Rules may make provision about the recognition of a relevant qualification under subsection (1).

(4) Rules made by virtue of subsection (3) may (in particular) make provision enabling the Council to require the payment of fees for the purpose of meeting expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by the Council in determining applications for the recognition of relevant qualifications.

⁽¹⁾ Section 36C was inserted by article 29 of the Dentists Act 1984 (Amendment) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/2011) ("the 2005 Amendment Order"). Subsection (4) was amended by article 20(2)(a) and article 20(2)(b) of the Health Care and Associated Professions (Knowledge of English) Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/806). Subsections (5)(a) and (b) were substituted by paragraph 19(d) of Schedule 3 to the European Qualifications (Health and Social Care Professions) (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/593), as amended by the European Qualifications (Health and Social Care Professions) (EFTA States) (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/1394).

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(5) In this section "relevant qualification" has the same meaning as in section 36C (see section 36C(4)(a)).".