
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the National Health Service (Charges to Overseas Visitors) Regulations 1989 (“the Principal Regulations”), which provide for the making and recovery of charges for relevant services provided under the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006 (c. 42) to certain persons not ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom.

Regulation 1 contains commencement and application provisions.

Regulation 2 inserts “Wuhan novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV)” into Schedule 1 to the Principal Regulations for the purpose of creating a new exemption from National Health Service charges for any overseas visitor who requires treatment for Wuhan novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV).

The Welsh Ministers’ Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to these Regulations. As a result, a regulatory impact assessment has been prepared as to the likely cost and benefit of complying with these Regulations. A copy can be obtained from the Department of Health and Social Services, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ.