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HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES

Charges for Drugs and Appliances (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992

Made . . . . . *24th March 1992*

Coming into operation . . *1st April 1992*

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 98 and 106 of, and Schedule 15 to, the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(**a**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, with the approval of the Department of Finance and Personnel(**b**), hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Charges for Drugs and Appliances (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992, and shall come into operation on 1st April 1992.

(2) In these regulations, "the principal regulations" means the Health and Personal Social Services (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1973(**c**).

Amendment of regulation 2 of the principal regulations

2. In regulation 2(1) (interpretation) the definitions of "oxygen concentrator" and "oxygen concentrator services" shall be omitted.

Amendment of regulation 3 of the principal regulations

3. In regulation 3 (supply of drugs and appliances by chemists)—

(*a*) paragraph (1)(*aa*) shall be omitted;

(*b*) at the end of regulation 3(1) the words from "or, where a chemist provides ..." to the end of the paragraph shall be omitted.

Amendment of the amounts specified in the principal regulations

4. The principal regulations shall be further amended in accordance with the following paragraphs—

(1) In regulations 3(1)(*b*), 3(3), 5(1)(*b*), 7(1)(*b*), 7(2)(*b*) and 7(3) for "£3·40" there shall be substituted "£3·75".

(**a**) S.I. 1972/1265 (N.I. 14)

(**b**) Formerly Department of Finance: *see* S.I. 1982/338 (N.I. 6) Art. 3

(**c**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 419; relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1980 No. 76, S.R. 1984 No. 66, S.R. 1988 No. 396, S.R. 1989 No. 99, S.R. 1990 No. 100 and S.R. 1991 No. 114