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MENTAL HEALTH

Payment of Fees

REGULATIONS, DATED 28TH MARCH, 1962, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE UNDER THE MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1961.

The Ministry of Health and Local Government, in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by sections 90 and 112 of the Mental Health Act (Northern Ireland), 1961(**a**), and in conjunction with the Ministry of Finance hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Mental Health (Payment of Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1962, and shall come into operation on the 2nd day of April, 1962.

(2) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the respective meanings hereby assigned to them:—

"the Act" means the Mental Health Act (Northern Ireland), 1961;

"a medical practitioner" means a medical practitioner other than an officer of the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority acting within his terms and conditions of service;

"private patient" means a patient who undertakes, or on whose behalf an undertaking is given to pay such charges as may be prescribed under paragraph (*g*) of sub-section (2) of section 4 of the Act or under paragraph (*g*) of sub-section (2) of section 29 of the Health Services Act (Northern Ireland), 1948(**b**).

2.—(1) A medical practitioner, who furnishes a recommendation for admission under sections 12 or 15 of the Act in respect of the admission of a patient to a hospital, shall receive a fee of £3 3s. 0d. in respect of the said recommendation, which fee shall be payable by the management committee of that hospital.

(2) A medical practitioner who furnishes a recommendation for guardianship under section 21 of the Act in respect of the reception of a patient into guardianship shall receive a fee of £3 3s. 0d. in respect of the said recommendation which shall be payable by the management committee concerned for the area in which the said patient ordinarily resides.

3. No fee shall be payable by a hospital management committee in respect of any recommendation referred to in paragraph (1) of Regulation 2 given in respect of any person who it is intended shall be admitted to hospital as a private patient.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland this twenty-seventh day of March, nineteen hundred and sixty-two.

(L.S.)

Wm. J Morgan,
Minister of Health and Local Government.

(a) 1961. c. 15. (b) 1948. c. 3.