(2) The Northern Ireland General Health Services Board may pay to each member (other than the Chairman) of the Northern Ireland Dental Estimates Committee who is a registered dental practitioner as remuneration for his services a fee of £4 4s. 0d. in respect of each attendance for a period of not less than two hours at a meeting of the said Committee held for the purpose of carrying out such duties as may be prescribed with respect to the approval of estimates of dental treatment and appliances.

(3) Payment of the fees provided for in these Regulations may not be made to any member of the Northern Ireland Dental Estimates Committee who is a member of either House of Parliament.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland this twelfth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine in the presence of

(L.S.) *Thos. Elwood,*
Assistant Secretary.

General Dental Services

REGULATIONS, DATED 10TH MAY, 1949, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNDER THE HEALTH SERVICES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948.

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The Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland (in these Regulations referred to as "the Ministry"), in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Sections 11, 74 and 75 of the Health Services Act (Northern Ireland), 1948, hereby makes the following Regulations :—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Health Services (General Dental Services) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1949.

2.—(1) In these Regulations "the Principal Regulations" means the Health Services (General Dental Services) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1948 (a), and "the Fees Regulations" means the Health Services (General Dental Services Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1948 (b).

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1921, shall apply for the purpose of the interpretation of these Regulations in like manner as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.

3. The Principal Regulations shall be amended in manner following :—

(a) S. R. & O. (N.I.), 1948, No. 157. (b) S. R. & O. (N.I.), 1948, No. 160.

(i) In paragraph (1) of Regulation 2, after the definition of "health centre" there shall be inserted the following definition :—

"modified estimate form" means the form set out in PART V of the Fourth Schedule to these Regulations or an alternative form approved by the Ministry ;

(ii) In Regulation 7 the words "A person" shall be deleted and the words "Any person ordinarily resident in Northern Ireland or Great Britain" shall be substituted therefor.

(iii) The following paragraphs shall be substituted for paragraph (3) of Regulation 12 :—

"(3) The Ministry shall appoint two dentists, of whom one shall be appointed after consultation with such organisation as may be recognised by the Minister as representing the dental profession, who shall hear the representations of the appellant and the Dental Estimates Committee and determine the appeal :

Provided that the dentists so appointed may, after giving an opportunity to the appellant to amplify his statement if he so desires, dispense with an oral hearing, if satisfied that the appeal can properly be determined without an oral hearing.

(4) For the purposes of any oral hearing, the Ministry shall appoint one of the dentists to be chairman who, in the event of failure to reach agreement, shall have a casting vote."

(iv) In paragraph 3 (1) of the First Schedule, after the words "attention and" there shall be inserted the words "except where a modified estimate form is used,"

(v) In paragraph 5 of the First Schedule after the words "he shall" there shall be inserted the words "subject to the provisions of paragraph 7A hereof,"

(vi) Paragraph 7 (7) of the First Schedule shall be deleted, and after paragraph 7 there shall be inserted the following paragraph :—

"7A.—(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in the last preceding paragraph a dentist, instead of making use of the dental estimate form, may, in the case of treatment consisting of such treatment as is mentioned in sub-paragraph (2) of this paragraph, make use of a modified estimate form and in that event the provisions of the last preceding paragraph shall not apply and the provisions of paragraph 5 hereof (in their application to such treatment) shall apply only to the extent to

which records can be kept from the information contained in the modified estimate form.

(2) The treatment referred to in sub-paragraph (1) of this paragraph consists of emergency treatment being (*a*) not more than two extractions, (*b*) the administration of a general anaesthetic, and of (*c*) such other treatment, provided in such circumstances, as may be agreed, with the approval of the Ministry, between the Board and such organisation as may be recognised by the Minister as representing the dental profession.

(3) In accepting an application for such treatment the dentist shall if he makes use of a modified estimate form—

(*a*) Complete PART 3 of the form and after detaching it, give it to the applicant;

(*b*) Carry out the treatment forthwith and complete PART I of the Form, obtaining the signature of the applicant to PART 2; and

(*c*) Send the form to the Committee within one month of the completion of the treatment."

(vii) The following drugs shall be added to the list of prescribed drugs contained in the Third Schedule to the Principal Regulations :—

Phenol Liquefactum
Glycerinum

(viii) The Schedule to these Regulations shall be incorporated in and form PART V of the Fourth Schedule to the Principal Regulations.

4. The Fees Regulations shall be amended in manner following :—

(i) In Regulation 4 after the words " dental estimate form " the words in brackets shall be deleted and the words " or a modified estimate form " substituted therefor.

(ii) In item 1 (*a*) of PART I of the Schedule the word " three " shall be substituted for the word " four," and at the end of item 1 (*a*) the following words shall be added :—

" and a dentist shall not be entitled to receive more than three such payments for any period of twelve months in respect of a person under 21 years of age; "

(iii) The following item shall be substituted for item 1 (*c*) of PART I of the Schedule :—

" (*c*) where a modified estimate form is used "

(iv) The following items shall be substituted for items 10 (i) (*b*) and (*c*) of PART I of the Schedule :—