## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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## NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND

## The National Health Service (General Medical Services) Amendment Regulations 2002

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The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 29, 29A, 29B, 43ZA, 49O, 49Q, 49R and 126(4) of the National Health Service Act 1977(1) and section 65 of the Health and Social Care Act 2001(2) and all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

<sup>(1) 1977</sup> c. 49; see section 128(1) as amended by the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990 (c. 19) ("the 1990 Act"), section 26(2)(g) and (i), for the definitions of "prescribed" and "regulations". Section 29 was extended by the Health and Medicines Act 1988 (c. 49), section 17; and amended by the Health Services Act 1980 (c. 53), sections 1 and 7 and Schedule 1, paragraph 42(b); by the Health and Social Services and Social Security Adjudications Act 1983 (c. 41), Schedule 6, paragraph 2; by the Medical Act 1983 (c. 54), section 56(1) and Schedule 5, paragraph 16(a); by S. I. 1985/39, article 7(3); by the Health Authorities Act 1995 (c. 17), Schedule 1, paragraph 18; and by the National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997 (c. 46) ("the 1997 Act"), Schedule 2, paragraph 8. Section 29A was inserted by the 1997 Act, section 32, and amended by the 2001 Act, sections 15 and 20. Section 43ZA was inserted by the 2001 Act, section 21. Sections 49O, 49Q and 49R were inserted by the 2001 Act, section 25. Section 126(4) was amended by the 1990 Act, section 65(2); by the Health Act 1999 (c. 8), Schedule 4, paragraph 37(6) and by the 2001 Act, Schedule 5, paragraph 5(13)(b). As regards Wales, the functions of the Secretary of State under section 29, 29A, 29B and 126(4) of the 1977 Act are transferred to the National Assembly for Wales under article 2 of, and Schedule 1 to, the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999, S.I. 1999/672; section 68 of the 2001 Act provides that Schedule 1 shall be construed so as to include the amendments made by that Act to the 1977 Act; these Regulations therefore extend only to England.