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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2004 No. 614**

**The National Health Service (Charges to Overseas Visitors) (Amendment) Regulations 2004**

**Exemption from charges during long term visits by United Kingdom pensioners**

5. After regulation 4 (overseas visitors exempt from charges) insert a new regulation—

**“Exemption from charges during long term visits by United Kingdom pensioners**

**4A.—**(1) No charge shall be made or recovered in respect of any overseas visitor who—

- (a) is in receipt of a retirement pension under the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992<sup>(1)</sup> or the Social Security (Contributions and Benefits) (Northern Ireland) Act 1992<sup>(2)</sup>;
- (b) resides in the United Kingdom for at least six months and in another member State for less than six months each year; and
- (c) is not registered as a resident of another member State;

for services forming part of the health service which he receives during the period he resides in the United Kingdom.

(2) No charge shall be made in respect of any services forming part of the health service provided for the spouse or child of an overseas visitor to whom this regulation applies where he lives on a permanent basis with the overseas visitor during the period they reside in the United Kingdom.”.