

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order approves changes to rules made by the Health Professions Council (“HPC”) in respect of the transfer of the Hearing Aid Council’s register of hearing aid dispensers to the HPC in consequence of the Health Professions (Hearing Aid Dispensers) Order 2010 ([S.I.2010/233](#)).

Rule 2 amends the Health Professions Council (Registration and Fees) Rules 2003 (scheduled to [S.I.2003/1572](#)) (“the principal Rules”). Paragraph (2) amends rule 10 of the principal Rules to ensure that the first registration period for those hearing aid dispensers who are transferred to the HPC’s register from the Hearing Aid Council’s register ends on 31st July 2010. Paragraph (3) amends rule 14 of the principal Rules to ensure that such hearing aid dispensers will not be liable to pay a fee in respect of that period. Paragraph (4) amends Schedule 5 to the principal Rules to prescribe future registration periods for hearing aid dispensers regulated by the HPC.