WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2000 No. 1992 (W. 144)

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, WALES

The National Health Service (General Medical Services) Amendment (No.2) (Wales) Regulations 2000

Made	-	-	-	-		13th July 2000
Coming	into	force		-	-	1st August 2000

The National Assembly for Wales makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by sections 29 and 126(4) of the National Health Service Act 1977(1), and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf:mdash;

Citation, commencement, interpretation and application

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the National Health Service (General Medical Services) Amendment (No.2) (Wales) Regulations 2000 and shall come into force on 1st August 2000.

(2) In these Regulations, "the 1992 Regulations" means the National Health Service (General Medical Services) Regulations 1992(2).

(3) These Regulations shall apply to Wales only.

Amendment of the 1992 Regulations

2. In Regulation 34(2) of the 1992 Regulations (payments), for sub-paragraph (e) shall be substituted -

"(e) allowances for study leave;".

^{(1) 1977} 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), Schedule 2, paragraph 8. Section 126(4) was amended by the 1990 Act, section 65(2); and (in England) by the Health Act 1999 (c. 8), Schedule 4, paragraph 37(6). The functions of the Secretary of State under sections 29 and 126(4) of the 1977 Act were 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.

⁽²⁾ S.I. 1992/635, relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1993/540 and 1997/2468.

Signed on behalf of the National Assembly for Wales under section 66(1) of the Government of Wales Act 1998(**3**).

13th July 2000

Dafydd Elis Thomas The Presiding Officer of the National Assembly

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note does not form part of the Regulations)

These Regulations further amend the National Health Service (General Medical Services) Regulations 1992 ("the 1992 Regulations"), which regulate the terms on which General Medical Services are provided under the National Health Service Act 1977.

Regulation 34 of the 1992 Regulations makes provision at paragraph (1) for a Health Authority to make payments, in accordance with the rates and conditions determined by the National Assembly, to doctors who provide General Medical Services in its area.

From August 2000 vocational training for General Practitioners will no longer be funded from a Health Authority's General Medical Services budget. Thereafter, a Health Authority will make payments in respect of allowances for training for General Practitioners in accordance with directions to Health Authorities concerning General Practice Registrars.

Accordingly, regulation 34(2) of the 1992 Regulations is amended to remove the reference to allowances for training doctors from the matters for which provision shall be made under paragraph (1) of that regulation.