WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The National Health Service (Pharmaceutical Services) and (General Medical Services) (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2002

Amendment of the General Medical Services Regulations 1992

3.—(1) The General Medical Services Regulations 1992 shall be amended as follows.

- (2) In Schedule 2 to the General Medical Services Regulations (terms of service for doctors)-
 - (a) in paragraph 1 (interpretation), after the definition of "prescription form" insert—

""restricted availability appliance" means an appliance which is approved for particular categories of persons or particular purposes only;";

- (b) in sub-paragraph (5) of paragraph 43 (prescribing)—
 - (i) omit the words "or an appliance";
 - (ii) after sub-paragraph (5) of paragraph 43 add —

"(6) In a case of urgency a doctor may request a chemist to dispense an appliance before a prescription form is issued only if—

- (a) that appliance does not contain a Scheduled drug or a controlled drug within the meaning of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971(1), other than a drug which is for the time being specified in Schedule 5 to the Misuse of Drugs Regulations 2001(2);
- (b) in the case of a restricted availability appliance, the patient is a person, or it is for a purpose, specified in the Drug Tariff; and
- (c) he undertakes to furnish the chemist, within 72 hours, with a prescription form completed in accordance with sub-paragraph (2).".
- (c) In paragraph 44, after sub-paragraph (2), add—

"(3) In the course of treating such a patient a doctor shall not order on a prescription form a restricted availability appliance unless—

- (a) the patient is a person, or it is for a purpose, specified in the Drug Tariff; and
- (b) the doctor endorses the face of the form with the reference "SLS",

but may otherwise prescribe such an appliance for that patient in the course of that treatment.".

(3) In Schedule 11 (drugs to be prescribed under pharmaceutical services only in certain circumstances), after "Sildenafil (Viagra)" in columns 1 and 2 respectively, insert ", Apomorphine Hydrochloride (Uprima)".

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