9. EXECUTIVE COUNCILS AND DENTAL ESTIMATES BOARD

[Executive Council for the Isles of Scilly, *see* p. 2306 below.]

The National Health Service (Executive Councils) Amendment Regulations, 1948

1948 No. 1156

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The Minister of Health, in exercise of his powers under sections 41 and 79 of and the Fifth Schedule to the National Health Service Act, 1946(**a**), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:—

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the National Health Service (Executive Councils) Amendment Regulations, 1948, and these regulations and the National Health Service (Executive Councils) Regulations, 1947(**b**) (hereinafter referred to as the " principal regulations ") may be cited together as the National Health Service (Executive Councils) Regulations, 1947 and 1948.

(2) These regulations shall come into operation on the third day of June, 1948.

2. The principal regulations shall have effect as if the following regulation were added after regulation 6:—

" Vacation of office.

6A. If a member of the council, being a member appointed by the local health authority, is also a member or officer of that authority, he shall upon ceasing to be a member or officer of the authority, also cease to be a member of the council:

Provided that for the purpose of this regulation a person shall not be deemed to have ceased to be a member of the local health authority, if he has been re-elected a member thereof not later than the day of his retirement."

3. In paragraph (1) of regulation 8 of the principal regulations there shall be substituted for the word " resignation " the words " vacation of office ".

4. The following regulation shall be added after regulation 18 of the principal regulations:—

" Vacancy in membership.

18A. The proceedings of an ophthalmic services committee shall not be invalidated by any vacancy in the membership of the committee or by any defect in the appointment or qualification of any member thereof."

5. In paragraph (1) of regulation 19 of the principal regulations the word " or " shall be inserted at the end of sub-paragraph (*c*) and the following sub-paragraph shall be added immediately after the said sub-paragraph (*c*):—

" (*d*) had immediately before the appointed day his name included in the list of medical practitioners prepared by either the British Medical Association, the National Ophthalmic Treatment Board or the Incorporated

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(**a**) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 81. (**b**) S.R. & O. 1947 (No. 889) I, p. 1324.

Ophthalmic Council for use by approved societies for the purpose of ophthalmic benefit under the National Health Insurance Act, 1936(a); ".

6. After paragraph (3) of the said regulation 19 there shall be inserted the following paragraphs:—

" (4) The qualifications required by an ophthalmic optician or a dispensing optician, being a firm or company (whether corporate or unincorporate), for the purposes of Part IV of the Act and these regulations, shall be that at all premises at which the firm or company provide supplementary ophthalmic services such services shall be in the charge of a director or member or employee of the firm or company who possesses—

(*a*) in the case of a firm or company who propose to provide services as ophthalmic opticians, the qualifications required under paragraph (2) of this regulation, or

(*b*) in the case of a firm or company who propose to provide services as dispensing opticians, the qualifications required under paragraph (3) of this regulation.

(5) Notwithstanding the above provisions of this regulation a person who has the qualifications prescribed for a medical practitioner, ophthalmic optician or dispensing optician for the purpose of providing supplementary ophthalmic services in Scotland under the National Health Service (Scotland) Act, 1947(b) or in Northern Ireland under the Health Services (Northern Ireland) Act, 1948(c), shall for the purpose of Part IV of, and the Seventh Schedule to, the Act and these regulations be deemed to have the corresponding qualifications prescribed by these regulations."

Given under the official seal of the Minister of Health this thirty-first day of May, nineteen hundred and forty-eight.

(L.S.) *Aneurin Bevan,*
Minister of Health.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.*)

The regulations amend the National Health Service (Executive Councils) Regulations, 1947 (S.R. & O. 1947 No. 889), by inserting further provisions as to the retirement of members, provision for validating the acts of an Ophthalmic Services Committee notwithstanding a defect in its membership and further provisions with respect to the qualifications to be held by persons and companies providing supplementary ophthalmic services.

The National Health Service (Executive Councils and Dental Estimates Board) Financial Regulations, 1948

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The Minister of Health, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 40, 54 and 55 of and the Fifth Schedule to the National

9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 81.

(a) 26 Geo. 5 & 1 Edw. 8. c. 32. (b) 10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 27.
(c) 11 & 12 Geo. 6. c. 3. (N. I.)