3. GENERAL DENTAL SERVICES

The National Health Service (General Dental Services) Amendment Regulations, 1949

1949 No. 564

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The Minister of Health, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 40 and 45 of the National Health Service Act, 1946(**a**), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:—

1. These regulations may be cited as the National Health Service (General Dental Services) Amendment Regulations, 1949, and shall come into operation on the 1st day of April, 1949.

2. In these regulations "the principal regulations" means the National Health Service (General Dental Services) Regulations, 1948(**b**), and "the Fees Regulations" means the National Health Service (General Dental Services) Fees Regulations, 1948(**c**).

3. The principal regulations shall be amended in manner following:

(i) In paragraph (1) of regulation 2, after the definition of "emergency treatment" there shall be inserted the following definition:—

'"Form E.C. 17A" means the form set out in Part V of the fourth schedule to these regulations or a form to the like effect.'

(ii) At the end of regulation 9, which provides for the exercise of the choice of practitioner in certain cases, there shall be added the following paragraph:—

"(c) on behalf of any person under the care of the managers of an approved school by the managers of the school or a person duly authorised by them in that behalf."

(iii) For paragraph (2) of regulation 11, which provides for the constitution of the Dental Estimates Board there shall be substituted the following paragraph:—

"(2) The Board shall consist of a chairman and a vice-chairman, who shall both be practitioners, and seven other members of whom five shall be practitioners".

(iv) In paragraph (3) of regulation 11 the words, "vice-chairman" shall be inserted after the word "Chairman".

(v) In regulation 12, which provides for the term of office of members of the Dental Estimates Board, the words "chairman and" shall be deleted.

(vi) In paragraph (2) of regulation 15, which makes provision with respect to the person to preside at meetings of the Dental Estimates Board, after the word "meeting" where it first occurs there shall be inserted the words "the vice-chairman if present shall act as chairman for the meeting, but otherwise".

(vii) In paragraph (1) of regulation 21, as amended by the Fees Regulations, which relates to expensive dental appliances and special dental treatment, and in paragraph (*a*) of regulation 23, which relates to Services

(**a**) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 81. (**b**) S.I. 1948 (No. 505) I, p. 2107.
(**c**) S.I. 1948 (No. 1297) I, p. 2129.

at health centres, there shall be inserted after the words "emergency treatment" the words "or treatment specified in Column A of the second schedule to these regulations".

(viii) In paragraph 3 (1) of Part I of the first schedule, after the words "attention and" there shall be inserted the words "except where form E.C. 17A is used".

(ix) After paragraph 7 of Part I of the first schedule there shall be inserted the following paragraph:—

"7A—(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in the last preceding paragraph a practitioner, instead of making use of the dental estimate form, may, in the case of emergency treatment consisting of such treatment as is mentioned in sub-paragraph (2) of this paragraph, make use of form E.C. 17A and thereupon the provisions of the last preceding paragraph shall not apply in respect of such treatment.

(2) The treatment referred to in sub-paragraph (1) of this paragraph consists of (*a*) not more than two extractions, (*b*) the administration of a general anaesthetic and (*c*) the dressing of a tooth.

(3) On accepting an application for such emergency treatment the practitioner shall:—

(*a*) complete Part 3 of the form and after detaching it, give it to the applicant,

(*b*) carry out the treatment forthwith and complete Part 1 of the form, obtaining the signature of the applicant to Part 2, and

(*c*) send the form to the Board within one month of the completion of the treatment".

(x) The schedule to these regulations shall be incorporated in and form Part V of the fourth schedule to the principal regulations.

4. The Fees Regulations shall be amended in manner following:—

(i) In paragraph (1) of regulation 3, after the words "dental estimate form" there shall be inserted the words "or a Form E.C. 17A" and at the end of the paragraph there shall be added the words "or, as the case may be, in Part I of the Form E.C. 17A".

(ii) Paragraph (3) of regulation 7, which amends sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 11 of Part II of the first schedule to the principal regulations relating to the remuneration of practitioners practising at health centres, is hereby revoked.

(iii) In item 1 of the first schedule the word "three" shall be substituted for the word "four", and at the end of the item the following words shall be added:—

"and a practitioner shall not be entitled to receive more than three such payments for any period of twelve months in respect of a person under 21 years of age".

(iv) The following items shall be substituted for items 10 (1) (*b*) and (*c*) in the first schedule:—

"(*b*) Replacing of a tooth, band or wire on a denture—18s. 0d.

(*c*) Addition of teeth, bands or wires to a denture—£1 8s. 0d."

(v) In item 22 in the first schedule the words "of bleeding" shall be substituted for the words "for bleeding".

(vi) After item 23 in the first schedule there shall be inserted the following item:—

"23A. Dressings of teeth—fee per patient where form E.C. 17A is used—10s. 0d."

(vii) For the definition of root treatment contained in item 5 of Part III. 1. of the first schedule there shall be substituted the following definition:—

"Root treatment means either of the following:—

(1) The devitalisation of the pulp of a tooth and the subsequent removal of the pulp followed by the necessary treatment and filling of each root of the tooth, or

(2) The treatment of septic root canals and the subsequent filling of each canal,

but does not include any dressing or treatment of the pulp of a conservative nature or the insertion of any filling in the crown of a tooth".

(viii) The following sub-paragraph shall be added to paragraph 4 of the second schedule (inserted in the Fees Regulations by the National Health Service (General Dental Services) Fees (Amendment) Regulations, 1948:—

"(5) Where a practitioner is regularly employed at a health centre by an Executive Council and a local authority and the total number of sessions per week for which he is employed by those authorities is six or more he shall be deemed to be employed part time by the Executive Council, and he shall be remunerated accordingly".

SCHEDULE

EMERGENCY TREATMENT FORM (E.C. 17A.)

1. Front of Form

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE — **DENTAL TREATMENT OF CASUAL PATIENTS**

A PATIENT'S SURNAME (Mr., Mrs., Miss) (Block Letters)	**B** DENTIST'S NAME AND ADDRESS AT WHICH TREATMENT HAS BEEN GIVEN (Rubber Stamp or Block Letters)
CHRISTIAN NAMES	
ADDRESS	
Nat. Reg. Identity No. / Year of Birth	Dentist's E.C. List No.

PART I to be completed by THE DENTIST	*Extractions *General Anaesthetic *Dressings **Delete as necessary* I certify that the treatment shown above has been completed and I claim fees amounting to £ : : Signed..... Date.....	For Official Use
PART 2 to be completed by THE PATIENT	I certify that treatment as detailed in Part I has been completed. Signed..... Date..... (In the case of a child or invalid, the parent, guardian or other authorised person should sign)	

PART 3 TO BE SIGNED BY THE DENTIST AND RETAINED BY THE PATIENT

I have accepted Mr./Mrs./Miss.....on.....19.....
as a casual patient under the National Health Service.
Dentist's E.C. List No.....Signed.....

Form E.C. 17A

2. Back of Form

EXPLANATORY NOTES

This Form is to be used only for casual patients urgently seeking treatment for the relief of pain or other casual treatment of the kinds set out below.

The treatment which may be the subject of this Form is as follows:—

1. Not more than two extractions
2. General Anaesthetic
3. Dressings.

THIS FORM MUST NOT BE USED EXCEPT FOR TREATMENT OF THE KINDS SPECIFIED ABOVE AND THEN ONLY IN CASE OF URGENCY. IN ALL OTHER CASES THE DENTAL ESTIMATE FORM (E.C.17) MUST BE USED.

TO THE PATIENT

The aim of the National Health Service is to provide you with all necessary dental treatment. The treatment you have now had was of a casual nature and may not be all you need. You would be well advised in future to arrange for your dentist to give you all the treatment required to make you dentally fit.

Given under the official seal of the Minister of Health this twenty-fifth day of March, nineteen hundred and forty-nine.

(L.S.) *J. C. Wrigley,*
Deputy Secretary,
Ministry of Health.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These regulations amend the existing regulations relating to the general dental services, and in particular provide for the use by dentists of a simplified estimate form in the case of certain kinds of emergency treatment. The regulations also make provision with respect to the choice of dentists for persons in approved schools, and make some minor amendments of the provisions of the existing regulations respecting the fees payable to dentists and other matters.

The National Health Service (General Dental Services) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations, 1949

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The Minister of Health, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 40 and 44 of the National Health Service Act, 1946(a), and of

(a) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 81.