EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The regulations provide for the fees and remuneration which are to be paid to dental practitioners practising elsewhere than at a health centre for the provision of general dental services. The regulations also prescribe the charges payable by persons in respect of the supply, replacement or repair of dental appliances of a more expensive type than the standard type and in respect of special dental treatment. The regulations amend the National Health Service (General Dental Services) Regulations, 1948, by providing that the remuneration of dental practitioners at a health centre shall be such as the Minister may from time to time determine by regulation or otherwise.

The National Health Service (General Dental Services) Fees (Amendment) Regulations, 1948

1948 No. 1507

Made - - - -	*30th June*, 1948
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9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 81.

The Minister of Health, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 40 of the National Health Service Act, 1946, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf hereby makes the following regulations:—

Title and commencement.

1. These regulations may be cited as the National Health Service (General Dental Services) Fees (Amendment) Regulations, 1948, and shall come into operation on the fifth day of July, 1948.

2. The National Health Service (General Dental Services) Fees Regulations, 1948(a), shall be amended as follows:—

(1) After regulation 5 there shall be inserted the following regulation—

"Practitioners practising at a health centre."

5A. The remuneration payable by a Council to a dental practitioner practising at a health centre shall be calculated in accordance with the rates and subject to the provisions set out in the second schedule to these regulations.

(a) S.I. 1948 No. 1297, p. 2129 above.

(2) After the First Schedule there shall be inserted the following schedule—

"SECOND SCHEDULE

Remuneration of dental practitioners practising at a health centre.

1. Rates applicable to whole-time employment at a health centre:—

Grade	*Scale of Remuneration*
I	Commencing at £1,400 per annum and rising by annual increments of £50 to £2,000 per annum.
II	Commencing at £900 per annum and rising by annual increments of £35 and a final increment of £5 to £1,500 per annum.
III	Commencing at £650 per annum and rising by annual increments of £25 to £900 per annum.

2. Rates applicable to part-time employment at a health centre:—

In respect of one half or three-quarter time employment, one half or three-quarters, as the case may be, of the rates specified for whole-time employment or such other proportion as may be appropriate to the amount of the employment.

3. Rates of sessional remuneration:—

Grade	*Fee per session of 3 hours*
I	£4 4s. 0d.
II and III	£3 3s. 0d.

4. In determining the appropriate rate of remuneration payable to a dental practitioner under the preceding paragraphs of this schedule the following provisions shall apply:—

(1) Subject to the provisions of the next succeeding sub-paragraph a practitioner shall be appointed in Grade III.

(2) A Council, if they are satisfied that the qualifications experience and capacity of a practitioner justify his appointment in a higher Grade than Grade III, may, after consultation with the Local Dental Committee and subject to the approval of the Minister, appoint the practitioner in Grade I or Grade II.

(3) Payment of the annual increments for which provision is made in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this schedule shall be conditional on the satisfactory service of the practitioner concerned.

(4) A practitioner who is regularly employed for six or more sessions a week shall be deemed to be employed whole-time or part-time, as the case may be, and be remunerated accordingly."

Given under the official seal of the Minister of Health this thirtieth day of June 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 (General Dental Services) Fees Regulations 1948 by adding provisions for the remuneration of dental practitioners practising at health centres.