STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1968 No. 270

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND AND WALES

The National Health Service (Professions Supplementary to Medicine) (Amendment) Regulations 1968

Made - - -	*27th February* 1968
Laid before Parliament	*5th March* 1968
Coming into Operation	*1st May* 1968

The Minister of Health, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 66 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 (Professions Supplementary to Medicine) (Amendment) Regulations 1968, and shall come into operation on 1st May 1968.

2. The Interpretation Act 1889(**b**) applies to the interpretation of these regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

3.—(1) With effect from the coming into operation of these regulations, after the words "occupational therapist," in regulation 3 of the National Health Service (Professions Supplementary to Medicine) Regulations 1964(**c**), there shall be inserted the word "orthoptist,".

(2) Paragraph (*b*) of regulation 3 and regulation 4 of the said Regulations shall not apply to the employment of any officer in the capacity of orthoptist.

Given under the official seal of the Minister of Health on 27th February 1968.

(L.S.) *Kenneth Robinson,*
Minister of Health.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations amend the National Health Service (Professions Supplementary to Medicine) Regulations 1964 so as to prohibit the employment of persons in the capacity of orthoptists for the purpose of providing services under the National Health Service Act 1946 unless they are registered with the Orthoptists Board under the Professions Supplementary to Medicine Act 1960 (c.66).

(**a**) 1946 c. 81. (**b**) 1889 c. 63. (**c**) S.I. 1964/940 (1964 II, p. 2100).