Boards with respect to the appointment and dismissal of officers) for the words from " other than the classes " to the end of the paragraph there shall be substituted the following words :—

" other than the following classes of officers—

(*a*) Consultants, senior hospital medical officers and senior hospital dental officers ;

(*b*) Senior registrars and registrars."

3. Nothing in these Regulations shall affect the power of a Hospital Management Committee to make an appointment to a vacancy in any office advertised by them before the commencement of these Regulations.

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Health this twenty-seventh day of July, nineteen hundred and fifty.

(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.)

These Regulations extend the classes of hospital officers, the appointment and dismissal of whom is to be exercised by Regional Hospital Boards and not by Hospital Management Committees.

SERVICE COMMITTEES AND TRIBUNAL

The National Health Service (Service Committees and Tribunal) Amendment Regulations, 1950

1950 No. 983

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The Minister of Health, in exercise of his powers under sections 33, 38 and 40 of, and the Fifth and Seventh Schedules to, 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 (Service Committees and Tribunal) Amendment Regulations, 1950, and shall come into operation on the first day of July, 1950.

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

(a) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 81. (b) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

3. The National Health Service (Service Committees and Tribunal) Regulations, 1948(**a**), shall be amended as follows :—

(1) At the end of paragraph (1) of regulation 3 (which provides for the constitution of service committees) there shall be added the following words " and may, with the consent of the Minister, establish two or more medical service committees, pharmaceutical service committees and dental service committees."

(2) In paragraph (5) of regulation 3 (which deals with the power and duties of a deputy chairman of a service committee) the words " and take part in, the proceedings of the committee, but not to vote " shall be deleted and there shall be substituted the words " but take no part in, the proceedings of the committee ".

(3) In the proviso to paragraph (5) of regulation 4 (which deals with the period of time within which matters may be referred by a Council to a service committee) there shall be substituted for the words " sub-paragraph (*c*) " the words " sub-paragraph (*c*) (iv) ".

(4) In sub-paragraph (*b*) of paragraph (2) of regulation 5 (which deals with the procedure of service committees) there shall be substituted for the word " officer " the words " duly authorised officer or member ".

(5) In paragraph (*b*) of regulation 6 (which deals with the action which may be taken by a Council after receiving the report of a service committee) there shall be substituted for the proviso the following proviso :—

" Provided that, in the case of a dental practitioner, the maximum amount which may be recovered in respect of expenses incurred on treatment given by another dental practitioner shall not exceed the cost of treatment so given calculated in accordance with the rate of remuneration in force for general dental services provided under the Act."

(6) In paragraph (1) of regulation 7 (which provides for an appeal to the Minister against the decision of a Council on the report of a service committee) there shall be added after the word " decision " the first time it appears the words " (including a decision following a report by a service committee under rule 1 (1) (*a*) in the first schedule to these regulations that there is no prima facie ground of complaint or a complaint is frivolous or vexatious) ".

(7) Paragraph (2) of regulation 23 (which provides for the term of office of members of the Tribunal) shall be revoked and the following paragraph substituted :—

" (2) The member of the Tribunal appointed by the Minister, after consultation with such associations of Executive Councils as he may recognise as representative of Executive Councils, shall hold office during the pleasure of the Minister."

(8) In paragraph (1) of regulation 36 (which provides for bodies to appear by representatives before the Tribunal) the word " unincorporate " shall be substituted for the word " incorporate ".

(**a**) S.I. 1948 (No. 507) I, p. 2205.

(9) In sub-paragraph (*a*) of paragraph (1) of rule 1 in the first schedule (which provides for the procedure of service committees) there shall be inserted after the word "chairman", the first time it appears, the words "of the appropriate committee".

(10) At the end of sub-paragraph (*b*) of paragraph (1) of rule 1 in the first schedule there shall be added the following words:—

"Where any complaint against a medical or dental practitioner or a chemist concerns the conduct either of a deputy or assistant to such practitioner or of a registered pharmacist employed by the chemist, the clerk shall also send a copy of the complainant's statement to such deputy, assistant or pharmacist, as the case may be, who shall be treated as if he were a party to the proceedings if within 14 days of receipt of the statement he applies to the committee to be so treated:

Provided that the Council shall not in any case where such an application is made be entitled to take any action under regulation 6 of the regulations against the deputy, assistant or pharmacist and the deputy, assistant or pharmacist shall have no right of appeal to the Minister under regulation 7 of the regulations."

(11) In the definition of the expression of "medical member" "pharmaceutical member" and "dental member" in rule 3 in the first schedule there shall be inserted commas after the words "appointed by", the second time they appear, and after the words "members of".

Given under the official seal of the Minister of Health this thirteenth day of June nineteen hundred and fifty.

(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 make minor alterations to the National Health Service (Service Committees and Tribunal) Regulations, 1948. They enable, inter alia, an Executive Council to establish with the consent of the Minister of Health two or more medical service committees, dental service committees, or pharmaceutical service committees. They also provide that a deputy or assistant to a practitioner on the medical or dental list of an Executive Council or a registered pharmacist employed by a chemist on the pharmaceutical list shall on application be treated as if he were a party to any service committee proceedings which concern his conduct. Other alterations are mainly for the purpose of clarification.