### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2016 No. 153

# NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Personal Injuries (NHS Charges)
(Amounts) Amendment Regulations 2016

Made - - - - 10th February 2016
Laid before Parliament 17th February 2016
Coming into force - - 1st April 2016

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 153(2) and (5) and 195(1) and (2) of the Health and Social Care (Community Health and Standards) Act 2003(1).

In accordance with section 195(3) of that Act, the Secretary of State has consulted the Welsh Ministers(2).

### Citation, commencement, application and interpretation

- 1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Personal Injuries (NHS Charges) (Amounts) Amendment Regulations 2016 and come into force on 1st April 2016.
  - (2) These Regulations apply to England and Wales.
- (3) In these Regulations, "principal Regulations" means the Personal Injuries (NHS Charges) (Amounts) Regulations 2015(3).

### Amendment of Schedule 1 to the principal Regulations

**2.** In Schedule 1 to the principal Regulations (amount of NHS charges), for the table in that Schedule, substitute the following table—

<sup>(1) 2003</sup> c.43. By virtue of section 167(1), the powers are exercisable in relation to England and Wales by the Secretary of State. *See* section 168 for the definition of "prescribed". Section 195 was amended by section 6 of, and Schedule 4 to, the National Health Service (Consequential Provisions) Act 2006 (c.43).

<sup>(2)</sup> Functions conferred or imposed on the National Assembly for Wales immediately before the first appointment of a First Minister under section 46 of the Government of Wales Act 2006 (c.32) ("GOWA") by an enactment contained in an Act were transferred to the Welsh Ministers by section 162(1) of, and paragraph 30(2) of Schedule 11 to, GOWA.

<sup>(3)</sup> S.I. 2015/295.

"(1)		(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
		Ambulance services	Out-patient	In-patient	Maximum
		£	£	£	£
29th 2007	January	159	505	620	37,100
1st April	2008	165	547	672	40,179
1st April	2009	171	566	695	41,545
1st April	2010	177	585	719	42,999
1st April	2011	181	600	737	44,056
1st April	2012	185	615	755	45,153
1st April	2013	189	627	770	46,046
1st April	2014	192	637	783	46,831
1st April	2015	195	647	796	47,569
1st April	2016	201	665	817	48,849"
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Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Health.

Prior
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
Department of Health

10th February 2016

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Personal Injuries (NHS Charges) (Amounts) Regulations 2015 ("the principal Regulations") which make provision about the charges payable under the scheme for the recovery of NHS charges in cases where an injured person who receives a compensation payment in respect of their injury has received NHS hospital treatment or ambulance services.

Amendments made to the principal Regulations by regulation 2, in inserting a substitute table in Schedule 1, increase the charges in respect of injuries which occur on or after 1st April 2016. Where the injured person is provided with NHS ambulance services, the charge is increased from £195 to £201. Where the injured person receives NHS treatment, but is not admitted to hospital, the charge is increased from £647 to £665. The daily charge for NHS in-patient treatment is increased from £796 to £817. The maximum charge in respect of an injury is increased from £47,569 to £48,849.

A full impact assessment has not been prepared for these Regulations as a negligible impact on business, charities or voluntary bodies is foreseen.