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**2018 No. 336**

**NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND**

**The National Health Service (Dental Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 2018**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>8th March 2018</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>9th March 2018</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st April 2018</i>

The Secretary of State for Health and Social Care makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 176(1) and (2)(c) and 272(7) and (8) of the National Health Service Act 2006(1).

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Health Service (Dental Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 2018 and come into force on 1st April 2018.

**Amendment of the National Health Service (Dental Charges) Regulations 2005**

2.—(1) The National Health Service (Dental Charges) Regulations 2005(2) are amended as follows.

(2) In regulation 4 (calculations of charges)—

- (a) in paragraph (1), for “£20.60” substitute “£21.60”;
- (b) in paragraph (2), for “£56.30” substitute “£59.10”;
- (c) in paragraph (3), for “£244.30” substitute “£256.50”;
- (d) in paragraph (4), for “£244.30” substitute “£256.50”;
- (e) in paragraph (5), for “£20.60” substitute “£21.60”.

(3) In regulation 12A (charges in respect of primary dental services provided under a prototype agreement), in paragraph (2), for “20.60” substitute “21.60”.

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(1) 2006 c.41. Section 176 of the National Health Service Act 2006 (“the 2006 Act”) was amended by paragraph 54 of Schedule 4 to the Health and Social Care Act 2012 (c.7). The powers conferred by these sections are exercisable by the Secretary of State only in relation to England, by virtue of section 271(1) of the 2006 Act. See section 275(1) of the 2006 Act for the definitions of “prescribed” and “regulations” that are relevant to the powers being exercised.

(2) S.I. 2005/3477; as amended by S.I. 2006/1837, 2007/544, 2008/547, 2009/407, 2011/519, 2012/502, 2013/364, 475 and 711, 2014/443 and 545, 2015/417 and 1728, 2016/324 and 2017/408.

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Signed by the authority of the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care.

8th March 2018

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend the National Health Service (Dental Charges) Regulations 2005 (“the 2005 Regulations”).

The 2005 Regulations include the charges that are levied for NHS dental and orthodontic treatment in England. Regulation 2 amends regulation 4 of the 2005 Regulations to increase the charges for Band 1 courses of treatment from £20.60 to £21.60, Band 2 courses of treatment from £56.30 to £59.10 and Band 3 courses of treatment from £244.30 to £256.50. Regulation 2 also amends regulation 12A of the 2005 Regulations to increase the charge for a Band 1A interim care course of treatment provided by contractors participating in the Prototype Agreement Scheme, scheduled to run from 1st November 2015 to 31st March 2020, from £20.60 to £21.60, in line with the Band 1 charge.

An assessment of the impact of this instrument has been made. A copy of this impact assessment is annexed to the Explanatory Memorandum which is available alongside this instrument on the [legislation.gov.uk](http://legislation.gov.uk) website. Copies may also be obtained from the Department of Health and Social Care, 39 Victoria Street, London SW1H 0EU.