1985 No. 318

HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES

General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1985

Made . . . . . *15th November 1985*

Coming into operation . . . *1st December 1985*

The Department of Health and Social Services in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 56(2), 63(2), 106 and 107(6) of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(**a**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf and in conjunction with the Department of Finance and Personnel(**b**) and after consultation with such organisations as appeared to the Department to be representative of the Medical and Pharmaceutical professions as required by Articles 56(5) and 63(3) of the said Order hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1985, and shall come into operation on 1st December 1985.

(2) In these regulations, "Schedule 3A" and "Schedule 3B" mean respectively Schedule 3A and Schedule 3B to the Health and Personal Social Services (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1973(**c**).

Amendment of Schedule 3A

2. In Schedule 3A (drugs and other substances not to be prescribed for supply under pharmaceutical services)—

(*a*) the entries set out in Schedule 1 to these regulations are omitted;

(*b*) the entries set out in Schedule 2 to these regulations are inserted at the appropriate points in the alphabetical order.

Substitution of Schedule 3B

3. For Schedule 3B (drugs to be prescribed for supply under pharmaceutical services only in certain circumstances) there is substituted the Schedule set out in Schedule 3 to these regulations.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services on 15th November 1985.

(L.S.) *R. W. McQuiston*
Assistant Secretary

(**a**) S.I. 1972/1265 (N.I. 14)
(**b**) Formerly Department of Finance: *see* S.I. 1982/338 (N.I. 6) Art. 3
(**c**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 421. The relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1975 No. 180, S.R. 1976 No. 285, S.R. 1981 No. 229, S.R. 1983 No. 182, S.R. 1985 No. 69 and S.R. 1985 No. 131

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(L.S.) *R. G. Smartt*

Assistant Secretary

SCHEDULE 1 Regulation 2(*a*)

ENTRIES OMITTED FROM SCHEDULE 3A

Acetylcysteine Granules
Ancoloxin Tablets
Asilone Gel
Asilone Suspension
Carbocisteine Capsules
Carbocisteine Syrup (any strength)
Carbocisteine Tablets (any strength)
Cyanocobalamin Injection BP
Ferrocap Capsules
Levius Controlled Release Tablets 500mg
Loprazolam Tablets 1mg
Lormetazepam Tablets 0.5mg
Lormetazepam Tablets 1mg

SCHEDULE 2 Regulation 2(*b*)

ENTRIES INSERTED IN SCHEDULE 3A

Aspirin Chewing-Gum Tablets 277mg
Aspirin Tablets, Effervescent 300mg
Aspirin Tablets, Slow (Micro-Encapsulated) 648mg
Diazepam Capsules, Slow 10mg
Diazepam Elixir 5mg/5ml
Fenoprofen Tablets 200mg
Oxazepam Capsules 30mg
Paracetamol Tablets, Sorbitol Basis 500mg
Pyridoxine Tablets, Slow 100mg

SCHEDULE 3 Regulation 3

SCHEDULE 3B AS SUBSTITUTED BY THESE REGULATIONS

SCHEDULE 3B Regulation 2(1)

Drugs to be prescribed for supply under pharmaceutical services only in certain circumstances

Column 1 *Drug*	*Column 2* *Patient*	*Column 3* *Condition*
Acetylcysteine Granules	Any Patient	Abdominal complications associated with cystic fibrosis
Carbocisteine	A patient under the age of 18 who has undergone a tracheostomy	Any condition which, through damage or disease, affects the airways and has required a tracheostomy
Clobazam	Any patient	Epilepsy

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations amend the Health and Personal Social Services (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1973 ("the 1973 Regulations") which regulate the terms on which doctors and chemists provide general medical services and pharmaceutical services.

Schedule 3A to the 1973 Regulations contains a list of drugs and other substances for which a doctor may not issue a prescription for supply under pharmaceutical services and which may not be dispensed under those services. Schedule 3B to the 1973 Regulations contains a list of drugs which may be prescribed or supplied only in certain circumstances.

These Regulations effect additions to, and deletions from, Schedule 3A to the 1973 Regulations and substitute a new Schedule 3B to those Regulations. Schedule 3B previously had only one entry, that for Clobazam, which is retained.