(3) The Interpretation Act, 1889, shall apply for the interpretation of these Regulations in like manner as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.

2. The charges imposed by the Health Services (Charges for Appliances) (Hospitals) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1951 (a), shall be remitted so far as they relate to dentures provided at any hospital mentioned in the Schedule to these Regulations, being dentures provided as part of a course of clinical dental teaching carried on at the Hospital by the Queen's University of Belfast.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland this twenty-fourth day of September, 1952, in the presence of

(L.S.) *Ronald Green,*
Assistant Secretary.

The Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland hereby approves the foregoing Regulations.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this twenty-fourth day of September, 1952, in the presence of

(L.S.) *Thom McCrea,*
Assistant Secretary.

SCHEDULE

Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast;
Royal Belfast Hospital for Sick Children, Belfast.

General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services

REGULATIONS, DATED 21ST FEBRUARY, 1952, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNDER THE HEALTH SERVICES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948.

1952. No. 19

The Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Sections 6 and 80 of the Health Services Act (Northern Ireland), 1948, hereby makes the following Regulations :—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Health Services (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1952.

(a) S. R. & O. (N.I.), 1951, No. 79.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1921, shall apply for the purpose of the interpretation of these Regulations in like manner as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.

2. The Health Services (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1948 (**a**) shall be amended as follows :—

(1) After Regulation 13 there shall be added the following Regulation :—

13A—(1) Where the Board, after due inquiry,

(*a*) are satisfied that a person whose name is included in the list of a practitioner providing general medical services no longer resides permanently in that part of Northern Ireland where the practitioner has undertaken to provide such services, or

(*b*) have not been able to ascertain the whereabouts of such a person,

they may remove the name of that person from the practitioner's list :

Provided that

(i) the Board shall give the practitioner six months' notice, in writing, of their intention to remove the person's name from his list ;

(ii) the person's name shall not be so removed if the practitioner satisfies the Board, not later than the date of expiration of the said notice, that he is still responsible for providing general medical services for that person.

(2) Where the name of any person is removed from the list of a practitioner under this Regulation the Board shall thereupon notify the practitioner and the person at his last known address.

(2) The following paragraph shall be substituted for paragraph 5 of Part I of the First Schedule :—

5.—(1) A practitioner is entitled to require a person

(*a*) claiming to be on his list and applying for treatment, regarding whose identity he has reasonable doubts ;

(*b*) applying for acceptance on his list ;

(*c*) applying for treatment as a temporary resident,

to produce his medical card or satisfactory evidence of identity or entitlement to receive general medical services whichever is appropriate.

(2) (*a*) If the person fails on request to produce his medical card or such evidence as is referred to in the preceding sub-paragraph the practitioner is required to give any necessary treatment (including the supply of any drugs or appliances which he would be required himself to supply to a person on his list) but the practitioner may demand and accept from the applicant a reasonable fee for any treatment given, including any drugs or prescribed appliances supplied, provided that he renders the applicant an account or, if no account is rendered, gives him a receipt on a form provided

(**a**) S.R. & O. (Northern Ireland), 1948, No. 147.

for the purpose by the Board. The practitioner may not order any drug or appliance on one of the order forms provided by the Board so as to enable the person to obtain the drug or appliance free of cost.

(*b*) The person may apply to the Board for a refund within fourteen days thereafter (or such longer period not exceeding one month, as may be allowed by the Board if they are satisfied that the failure to make application within the period of fourteen days was occasioned by some reasonable cause). If the Board are satisfied that he was at the time of treatment on the practitioner's list or was eligible for inclusion therein or was a temporary resident and, where application for acceptance on the practitioner's list is involved, have received the form of application for such acceptance properly completed, they may recover the fee from the practitioner by deduction from his remuneration or otherwise and shall repay to the applicant the amount of the fee. The Board shall also refund any payment made by him to a chemist in respect of drugs or prescribed appliances which he would, if he had presented a medical card, have been entitled to obtain free of charge. Provided that the amount so refunded shall not exceed the amount which would have been payable for such drugs or appliances on the basis of the Drug Tariff, if they had been ordered on a form provided by the Board.

(*c*) If the practitioner has supplied any drug or appliance for which, in the case of a person on his list, he would have been entitled to payment from the Board, the Board shall credit him with the payment to which he would have been so entitled.

(*d*) If it is determined that the person was a temporary resident the practitioner shall be credited by the Board in accordance with paragraph 18 of these terms of service.

(3) In (*b*) of sub-paragraph (13) of paragraph 7 of Part I of the First Schedule there shall be inserted after the word "list" the words "or upon the removal of the name of a person from his list."

(4) After proviso (*h*) in sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 10 of Part I of the First Schedule there shall be added the following proviso—

(*i*) from a dentist in respect of treatment for the arrest of dental bleeding of a person for whom the dentist is providing general dental services.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland, this 21st day of February, 1952, in the presence of

(L.S.) *J. E. Pittaway*,
Assistant Secretary.

REGULATIONS, DATED 2ND JULY, 1952, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNDER THE HEALTH SERVICES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948.

1952. No. 110

The Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections twelve and thirteen