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MENTAL HEALTH

Payment of Fees

REGULATIONS, DATED 17TH APRIL 1970, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE, UNDER THE MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1961.

The Ministry of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 90 and 112 of the Mental Health Act (Northern Ireland) 1961(a), and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, in conjunction with the Ministry of Finance, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation and Commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Mental Health (Payment of Fees) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1970 and shall come into operation with effect from 1st April 1968.

Amendment

2. For regulation 2 of the Mental Health (Payment of Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1962(b) there shall be substituted the following regulation:

"**2.**—(1) A medical practitioner, who furnishes a recommendation for admission under sections 12 or 15 of the Act in respect of the admission of a patient to a hospital, shall receive a fee of—

(*a*) £5 0s. 0d. for consultant or specialist work;

(*b*) £4 6s. 0d. for medical work other than consultant or specialist work;

in respect of the said recommendation, which fee shall be payable by the management committee of that hospital.

(2) A medical practitioner who furnishes a recommendation for guardianship under section 21 of the Act in respect of the reception of a patient into guardianship shall receive a fee of—

(*a*) £5 0s. 0d. for consultant or specialist work;

(*b*) £4 6s. 0d. for medical work other than consultant or specialist work;

in respect of the said recommendation which shall be payable by the management committee concerned for the area in which the said patient ordinarily resides."

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland this 17th day of April 1970.

(L.S.)

S. E. Taylor,
Assistant Secretary.

(a) 1961. c. 15.
(b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1962, No. 60 as amended by S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1965, No. 85.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this 17th day of April 1970.

(L.S.)

C. F. Darling,
Assistant Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Regulations increase the fees payable by hospital management committees to medical practitioners for recommendations made under sections 12, 15 and 21 of the Mental Health Act (Northern Ireland) 1961.