STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1980 No. 264

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND AND WALES

The National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Amendment Regulations 1980

Made - - - -	*29th February* 1980
Laid before Parliament	*7th March* 1980
Coming into Operation	*1st April* 1980

The Secretary of State for Social Services in exercise of powers conferred by sections 77(1) and (2) and 83(*a*) of the National Health Service Act 1977**(a)** and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Amendment Regulations 1980 and shall come into operation on 1 April 1980.

Amendment to regulations

2. The National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Regulations 1974**(b)** shall be further amended as follows—

(*a*) in regulations 3(1)(*b*), 3(4), 4(1)(*b*) and 5(1)(*b*) for "45p" there shall be substituted "70p";

(*b*) in regulation 6(1)(*d*)(ii) the word "endocrine" shall be omitted;

(*c*) in regulation 7(1)(*b*)(i) for "65p" there shall be substituted "£1.00";

(*d*) in regulation 8(2) for the words "the Schedule" there shall be substituted "Schedule 1";

(*e*) in regulation 8(3) for "six months" there shall be substituted "four months";

(*f*) in regulation 8(6) for "6 months" there shall be substituted "4 months" and for "£8.00" there shall be substituted "£12.00";

(*g*) for Schedules 1 and 2 there shall be substituted the following two Schedules—

(a) 1977 c. 49.
(b) S.I. 1974/285; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1974/627; 1975/718; 1976/1821; 1978/950 and 1979/681.

"SCHEDULE 1 Regulations 3, 4 and 5

CHARGES FOR ELASTIC HOSIERY

1	2
Specified Appliance	*Specified Sum*
Anklet, kneecap or legging	80p each
Above-knee stocking, below-knee stocking or thigh stocking	£1.60 each (ie £3.20 per pair)

SCHEDULE 2 Regulation 5A

CHARGES FOR FABRIC SUPPORT AND WIGS

1	2
Specified Appliance	*Specified Sum*
Fabric support (other than elastic hosiery)	£7.00
Bespoke wig...	£26.50
Stock wig	£9.50"

Patrick Jenkin,
Secretary of State for Social Services.

29th February 1980.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Regulations.*)

These Regulations further amend the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Regulations 1974. The amendments increase the charges specified for the supply of drugs and certain appliances under the National Health Service Act 1977, increase the sums prescribed and alter the period of validity for the grant of pre-payment certificates of exemption from those charges, increase the allowance for exemption from those charges on grounds of low income, and correct errors.