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The National Health Service
(Welfare Reform Consequential
Amendments) (Wales) Regulations
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the National Health Service (General Ophthalmic Services) Regulations 1986 (1986/975) (“the 1986 Regulations”), the National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) Regulations 1997 (1997/818) (“the 1997 Regulations”) and the National Health Service (Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges) (Wales) Regulations 2007 (2007/1104 (W.116)) (“the 2007 Regulations”).

Regulation 3 amends the 1986 Regulations consequential upon the introduction of universal credit by the Welfare Reform Act 2012 (2012 c.5) (“the 2012 Act”).

Regulation 4 amends the 1997 Regulations consequential upon the introduction of universal credit by the 2012 Act.

Regulation 5 amends the 2007 Regulations consequential upon the introduction of universal credit by the 2012 Act.

The Welsh Ministers’ Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to these Regulations. As a result, it was not considered necessary to carry out a regulatory impact assessment as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with these Regulations.

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Coming into force 1 April 2014

The Welsh Ministers in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 71, 128, 129, 130, 131, and 203(9) and (10) of the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006(1) hereby make the following Regulations:

Title, commencement and application

1.—(1) The title of these Regulations is the National Health Service (Welfare Reform Consequential Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2014 and they come into force on 1 April 2014.

(2) These Regulations apply in relation to Wales.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations—

“the 1986 Regulations” (“*Rheoliadau 1986*”) means the National Health Service (General Ophthalmic Services) Regulations 1986(2);

“the 1997 Regulations” (“*Rheoliadau 1997*”) means the National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) Regulations 1997(3); and

“the 2007 Regulations” (“*Rheoliadau 2007*”) means the National Health Service (Travelling

(1) 2006 c.42.

(2) S.I. 1986/975 as amended.

(3) S.I. 1997/818 as amended.

Expenses and Remission of Charges) (Wales)
Regulations 2007(1).

Amendment of the 1986 Regulations

3. In regulation 13(2)(q) of the 1986 Regulations for “29 April 2013” substitute “1 April 2014” and for “31 March 2014” substitute “31 March 2015”.

Amendment of the 1997 Regulations

4. In regulation 8(3)(q) of the 1997 Regulations for “29 April 2013” substitute “1 April 2014” and for “31 March 2014” substitute “31 March 2015”.

Amendment of the 2007 Regulations

5. In regulation 5(1)(aa) of the 2007 Regulations for “29 April 2013” substitute “1 April 2014” and for “31 March 2014” substitute “31 March 2015”.

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Welsh Ministers

1 March 2014