

Dear Colleague

GENERAL DENTAL SERVICES

AMENDMENT NO 125 TO THE STATEMENT OF DENTAL REMUNERATION

Summary

1. This letter advises NHS Boards and Practitioner Services of the publication of an amendment to the Statement of Dental Remuneration (SDR), Amendment No 125, which takes effect from 1 February 2014 and 1 April 2014.

Action

2. NHS Boards and Practitioner Services are asked to note the amendments to the SDR, details of which are included in the Memorandum to this letter.

3. NHS Boards are asked to copy and issue the Memorandum to this letter to all dentists and dental bodies corporate on their dental lists.

Yours sincerely

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**DENTISTS/DENTAL BODIES CORPORATE
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GENERAL DENTAL SERVICES**

AMENDMENT NO 125 TO THE STATEMENT OF DENTAL REMUNERATION

1. This Memorandum advises of an amendment to the Statement of Dental Remuneration (SDR), Amendment No 125, which comes into effect on 1 February and 1 April 2014. The amendments to the SDR are explained below.

Determination I (Scale of Fees)

2. The Memorandum to NHS: [PCA\(D\)\(2013\)2](#) advised of a 2.51% increase in the fee scale for courses of treatment started on or after 1 November 2013 and also advised that information about backdated payments would be issued in due course. A 2.85% increase in courses of treatment started on or after 1 April 2013 and before 1 November 2013 has now been agreed.

3. Item 74 (Additions in respect of earlier payments) of Determination I (Scale of Fees) is being amended to provide for backdated payments for courses of treatment started on or after 1 April 2013 and before 1 November 2013 for claims already submitted as well as any courses of treatment started within these dates which are not submitted until on or after 1 November 2013.

4. Practitioner Services will make backdated payments in the February schedule paid March.

Determination II (Rates of Remuneration for Salaried Dentists and the Provision of Emergency Dental Services)

5. Determination II is being amended to remove paragraph 3 to 8 of Part II and Part IV to VII as a result of the creation of the Public Dental Service. The rates of remuneration and allowances payable to dentists within the Public Dental Service will be published under cover of a PCS(DD).

Determination XIII (Recruitment and Retention Allowances) – Part II

6. With effect from 1 April 2014 the non-designated areas where recruitment and retention allowances are available to those joining sub-part A of the first part of a dental list within 3 months of completion of training or for the first time or who join a dental list after a break of 5 years are being re-defined as follows:

within the area of Borders Health Board, Berwickshire, within the area of Grampian Health Board, Kintore, Kemnay and Moray and within the area of Highland Health Board, all areas with the exception of Argyll & Bute, Inverness city, Lochaber, Nairn, Arderseir, Badenoch and Strathspey.

7. The designated areas where recruitment and retention allowances are available remain unchanged and are Orkney, Shetland and Western Isles Health Boards.

Enquiries

8. Any enquiries arising from this Memorandum should be taken up with your NHS Board.

Scottish Government Health and Social Care Integration Directorate
3 March 2014

STATEMENT OF DENTAL REMUNERATION

Pursuant to Regulation 22(3) of the National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Regulation 2010, as amended, Scottish Ministers have amended on 1 February and 1 April 2014 the Statement of Dental Remuneration.

Amendment No 125

1. This amendment shall take effect from the dates set out below:
 - (i) the amendment to Determination I shall take effect from 1 February 2014;
 - (ii) the amendments to Determination II and XIII shall take effect from 1 April 2014.
2. This amendment shall not affect any rights or liabilities acquired or incurred under or by virtue of any provisions of the Statement of Dental Remuneration amended or replaced by this amendment.
3. In Determination I (Scale of Fees) for item 74 (Additions in respect of earlier payments) there shall be substituted:

“Where the Board sends to the CSA an authorisation of payment under Determination I in respect of a course of treatment started on or after 1 April 2013 but before 1 November 2013, the CSA shall pay to, or in respect of, the dentist an additional sum equal to 2.85% of the gross payment so authorised for that course of treatment.”
4. For Determination II (Rates of Remuneration for a Salaried Dentist and the Provision of Emergency Dental Services) there shall be substituted the attached replacement Determination.
5. In Determination XIII (Recruitment and Retention Allowances) for the definition of “non-designated area” there shall be substituted:

“non-designated area” in relation to Part II means within the area of Borders Health Board, Berwickshire, within the area of Grampian Health Board, Kintore, Kemnay and Moray and within the area of Highland Health Board, all areas with the exception of Argyll & Bute, Inverness city, Lochaber, Nairn, Arderseir, Badenoch and Strathspey;”.

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DETERMINATION II

RATES OF REMUNERATION FOR A SALARIED DENTIST AND THE PROVISION OF EMERGENCY DENTAL SERVICES

Part I—General

Application

1.—(1) The provisions of Parts I and II of this Determination shall apply to a dentist who enters into an arrangements with a Health Board to provide emergency dental services.

(2) The provisions of Parts I and III of this Determination shall apply to a salaried dentist where he is employed by a Health Board in accordance with the salary plus bonus scheme.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Determination, unless the context otherwise requires:—

"dentist" means a registered dental practitioner whose name is included on a dental list prepared by a Health Board in accordance with regulation 4(1) of the National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Regulations 2010;

"quarter" means a period of 3 months ending on 31 March, 30 June, 30 September or 31 December;

"salaried dentist" means a dentist, employed by a Health Board to provide general dental services;

"salaried plus bonus dentist" means a salaried dentist employed by a Health Board in accordance with the salary plus bonus scheme;

(2) In this Determination, a reference to a numbered paragraph is to the paragraph bearing that number in this Determination and a reference in a paragraph to a numbered sub-paragraph is to the sub-paragraph bearing that number in that paragraph.

Part II—Salaried Dentists

1. The rates of remuneration and allowances payable to salaried dentists are published by the Scottish Government from time to time by means of a PCS(DD).

Part III—Emergency Dental Services

2. Where a dentist enters into arrangements with a Health Board to provide emergency dental services under Regulation 19, he shall:—

- (a) be paid a fee for each 3 hour session he undertakes with effect from 1 April 2009, of £119.55 plus a pro-rata sum appropriate to the sessional fee for each hour or part hour worked in excess of that 3 hour session; and
- (b) be paid for the mileage travelled in excess of 32.2 kilometres (20 miles) (for each round trip to an emergency session) at normal NHS rates.

Part IV—Salaried Plus Bonus Dentists

3.—(1) The remuneration payable by a Health Board to a salaried plus bonus dentist shall be in accordance with this paragraph.

(2) Salary payment will be made monthly with the bonus being paid quarterly based on the previous 3 months' work. The Health Board will recover any amount overpaid by way of bonus on the annual amount due to the salaried dentist.

(3) The salary will be payable at an annual rate determined by Scottish Ministers with a bonus for gross fee income in excess of 2 times that annual salary rate. With effect from 1 April 2013:—

- (a) the salary will be payable at annual rate of £30,776; and
- (b) the bonus payable will be 37.1% of the amount of gross fee income in excess of £60,496.