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(Amendment) (Wales) Regulations
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the National Health Service (Charges to Overseas Visitors) Regulations 1989 (“the Principal Regulations”), which provide for the making and recovery of charges for relevant services provided under the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006 (c. 42) to certain persons not ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom.

Regulation 1 contains commencement and application provisions.

Regulation 2 inserts “Wuhan novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV)” into Schedule 1 to the Principal Regulations for the purpose of creating a new exemption from National Health Service charges for any overseas visitor who requires treatment for Wuhan novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV).

The Welsh Ministers’ Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to these Regulations. As a result, a regulatory impact assessment has been prepared as to the likely cost and benefit of complying with these Regulations. A copy can be obtained from the Department of Health and Social Services, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ.

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Made 3 February 2020

*Laid before the National Assembly for
Wales* at 2:00 p.m. 4 February 2020

Coming into force
at 6:00 p.m. 4 February 2020

The Welsh Ministers make these Regulations in the exercise of the powers conferred by sections 124 and 203(9) of the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006(1).

Title, commencement and application

1.—(1) The title of these Regulations is the National Health Service (Charges to Overseas Visitors) (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2020.

(2) These Regulations come into force at 6:00 p.m. 4 February 2020.

(3) These Regulations apply in relation to Wales.

Amendment to Schedule 1 to the National Health Service (Charges to Overseas Visitors) Regulations 1989

2. In Schedule 1 to the National Health Service (Charges to Overseas Visitors) Regulations 1989(2), in Part 4 (other diseases), after “Pandemic influenza

(1) 2006 c. 42. See section 206 of the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006 for the meaning of “prescribed” and “regulations”.

(2) S.I. 1989/306. Part 4 of Schedule 1 was inserted by S.I. 2004/1433 (W. 146) and amended in relation to Wales by S.I. 2009/1175 (W. 102).

(influenza caused by a new virus subtype that has an increased and sustained transmission during a global outbreak of influenza)” insert the following entry—

“Wuhan novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV).”

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Welsh Ministers

3 February 2020