

GUERNSEY STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

2023 No. 124

**The Health Service (Payment of Authorised Suppliers)
(Amendment) Regulations, 2023**

Made 5th December, 2023

Coming into operation 1st January, 2024

Laid before the States , 2024

THE COMMITTEE FOR HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 14 and 35 of the Health Service (Benefit) (Guernsey) Law, 1990^a, and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:-

Amendment of the 2003 Regulations.

1. The Health Service (Payment of Authorised Suppliers) Regulations, 2003^b ("the 2003 Regulations") are amended as follows.

2. In Regulation 1(1) to the 2003 Regulations, insert the following definition in the appropriate place -

^a Ordres en Conseil Vol. XXXII, p. 192; Vol. XLIII(1), p. 246; this enactment has been amended. Extended to Alderney with modifications by Recueil d'Ordonnances Tome XXV, p. 204.

^b G. S. I. No. 51 of 2003; this enactment has been amended.

"**Medication Administration Record**" means an administration system, for use in nursing and residential homes, provided in accordance with the terms and conditions that may be determined by the Committee for Health & Social Care from time to time,".

3. After Regulation 4C to the 2003 Regulations, insert the following –

"Additional Payments to Authorised Suppliers who are Pharmacists not Employed by Medical Practices in respect of Medication Administration Records.

4CA. An authorised supplier who is a pharmacist not employed by a medical practice or the Committee for Health & Social Care shall be paid out of the Guernsey Health Reserve, in respect of Medication Administration Records provided by that Authorised Supplier, the sum set out in the Fifth Schedule to these Regulations."

4. The First, Second, and Fifth Schedules to the 2003 Regulations are revoked and replaced by the appropriate Schedules set out in the Schedule to these Regulations.

Revocation.

5. The Health Service (Payment of Authorised Suppliers) (Amendment) Regulations, 2022^c are revoked.

Citation, commencement and extent.

6. (1) These Regulations may be cited as the Health Service (Payment

^c G.S.I. No. 100 of 2022.

of Authorised Suppliers) (Amendment) Regulations, 2023, and shall come into force on the 1st January, 2024.

(2) These Regulations shall have effect in the Islands of Guernsey, Alderney, Herm and Jethou.

Dated this fifth day of December, 2023

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'A. H. Brouard', written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

A. H. BROUARD

President of the States Committee for Health & Social Care

For and on behalf of the Committee

SCHEDULE

Regulation 4

"FIRST SCHEDULE

Regulation 2(1)

PART I

Dispensing Fees payable in respect of pharmaceutical benefit

(1)	(2)
Classes of authorised supplier	Dispensing fee
<p>A dentist; or a medical practitioner; or a pharmacist employed by a medical practice:-</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">where the number of relevant items does not exceed 3,000;</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">where the number of relevant items exceeds 3,000 but does not exceed 6,000;</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">where the number of relevant items exceeds 6,000.</p> <p>A pharmacist employed by the Committee for Health and Social Care.</p> <p>A pharmacist not employed by a medical practice or the Committee for Health and Social Care:-</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">where the number of relevant items does not exceed 1,500;</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">where the number of relevant items exceeds 1,500.</p>	<p>85p per item</p> <p>85p per item for 3,000 relevant items and 79p for each additional item</p> <p>85p per item for 3,000 relevant items, 79p per item for 3,000 relevant items and 73p for each additional item.</p> <p>0p per item</p> <p>£3.66 per item</p>

	£3.66 per item for 1,500 relevant items and £1.84 for each additional item
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PART II

Additional dispensing fees payable in respect of pharmaceutical benefit for all authorised suppliers except pharmacists employed by the Committee for Health & Social Care

(1)	(2)
Description of pharmaceutical benefit	Additional dispensing fee
<p>Pharmaceutical benefit extemporaneously dispensed, aseptically dispensed, or extemporaneously sterilised and supplied on a medical prescription which is endorsed with the words-</p> <p>(a) "Extemporaneously dispensed" -</p> <p>(i) unit dosage forms e.g. sachets, capsules, pills, lozenges, pastilles, pessaries, powders,</p> <p>(ii) liquids being 'special formula preparations', e.g mixtures, lotions, nasal drops (not including dilutions),</p> <p>(iii) liquid preparations prepared by straightforward dilution (not including reconstitution),</p> <p>(iv) special formula powders,</p> <p>(v) ointments, creams, pastes being 'special formula preparations' (not including dilutions),</p> <p>(vi) ointments, creams, pastes prepared by dilution or</p>	<p>£8.32 for each unit of 10 or less</p> <p>£2.86</p> <p>£1.53</p> <p>£2.86</p> <p>£8.32</p> <p>£2.86</p>

<p style="text-align: center;">admixture of standard or proprietary ointments, creams and pastes,</p> <p>(b) "aseptically dispensed" preparation when aseptically dispensed (excluding proprietary preparations) -</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(i) unit dosage forms, e.g injections,</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(ii) non-unit dosage forms, e.g eye drops,</p> <p>(c) "extemporaneously sterilised" liquids, semi-solids, solids prepared with a BP sterilisation process.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">£28.55 for each unit of 10 or less</p> <p style="text-align: right;">£25.07</p> <p style="text-align: right;">£25.07</p>
<p>Where an item of pharmaceutical benefit which is -</p> <p>(a) a liquid preparation requiring extemporaneous dispensing otherwise than in accordance with sub-paragraph (b) and (c) above, and</p> <p>(b) the medical prescription on which that item is supplied specifies that the pharmaceutical benefit must be supplied in more than one container, and</p> <p>(c) the medical prescription is endorsed with the words "extemporaneously dispensed".</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">£2.86</p>
<p>Where an item of pharmaceutical benefit which -</p> <p>(a) requires the addition by an authorised supplier of a vehicle/diluent, has a stability of less than fourteen days and it is necessary for pharmaceutical</p>	

<p>reasons for it to be supplied in more than one container; and</p> <p>(b) the medical prescription on which that item is supplied is endorsed with the number of additional containers in which that item is supplied by an authorised supplier.</p>	97p
<p>Where an item of pharmaceutical benefit is a controlled drug within the meaning of the Misuse of Drugs (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Ordinance, 1997 and has been supplied on a prescription endorsed with the initial letters "C.D." by an authorised supplier -</p> <p>(a) where the controlled drug is contained within Schedule 1 or 2 of the aforementioned Ordinance,</p> <p>(b) where the controlled drug is contained within Schedule 3 of the aforementioned Ordinance.</p>	<p>£4.58</p> <p>£2.03</p>
<p>Where an item of pharmaceutical benefit contains methadone hydrochloride and has been ordered by an approved medical practitioner as part of an approved methadone maintenance programme and the taking of the drug has been supervised by an authorised supplier and supplied on a prescription endorsed with the initial letters "SUP" by an authorised supplier.</p>	£4.58
<p>Where an item of pharmaceutical benefit contains buprenorphine and has been ordered by an approved medical practitioner as part of an approved buprenorphine maintenance programme and the taking of the drug has been supervised by an authorised supplier or suitably trained employee and supplied on a prescription endorsed with the initial letters "SUP" by the approved medical practitioner.</p>	£6.66

SECOND SCHEDULE

Regulation 3

Additional dispensing fees payable in respect of pharmaceutical benefit supplied on a prescription endorsed "URGENT" or "DISPENSED URGENTLY" in accordance with Regulation 3 of these Regulations.

(1)	(2)
Time of Supply	Dispensing fee
On any day, other than a non-business day, between the time the premises of the authorised supplier are closed for the supply of pharmaceutical benefit and 11pm.	£30.18
On a non-business day, between 8am and 11pm, except whilst the premises are open for the purposes of any scheme prepared by the Authority under Section 12(3)(d) of the Law.	£38.15
On any day between 11pm and 8am the next day or such earlier time at which the premises are opened for the supply of pharmaceutical benefit (on any day except a non-business day).	£99.08

FIFTH SCHEDULE

Regulations 4B, 4C and 4CA

Fees payable in respect of monitored dosage systems, community packs and administration systems provided by authorised suppliers who are pharmacists not employed by medical practices or the Committee for Health & Social Care in accordance with Regulations 4B and 4C of these Regulations.

(1)	(2)
Description of pharmaceutical benefit	Fee
Monitored dosage system for residential and nursing home residents	£22.50 per patient per 28 days
Monitored dosage system for community based patients	£30.18 per patient per 28 days
Medication Administration Record for residential and nursing home residents	£15 per patient

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations revoke and replace the Schedules to the Health Service (Payment of Authorised Suppliers) Regulations, 2003.

These Regulations also provide for the payment of authorised suppliers who are pharmacists not employed by medical practices or the Health & Social Care Committee in respect of the preparation of Medication Administration Records.

These Regulations come into force on 1st January, 2024.