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# NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND

## The Primary Dental Services Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2023

The Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, having consulted in accordance with section 103(4) of the National Health Service Act 2006<sup>(a)</sup> with the bodies appearing to the Secretary of State to be representative of persons to whose remuneration these Directions relate, gives the following Directions in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 103(1) and (3), 109(4) and (5), 272(7), and 273(1) of that Act.

### PART 1

#### General

#### Citation, commencement, extent and application

1.—(1) These Directions may be cited as the Primary Dental Services Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2023.

(2) These Directions come into force immediately after they are signed and, have effect from 1st April 2023.

(3) These Directions extend to England and Wales<sup>(b)</sup>.

#### Interpretation

2.— In these Directions—

“the GDS SFE” means the General Dental Services Statement of Financial Entitlement Directions 2013<sup>(c)</sup>;

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- (a) 2006 c. 41. The Secretary of State must consult in accordance with section 103(4) of the National Service Act 2006 on directions as to payments to be made under general dental services contracts. Section 103(3) was amended by paragraph 45 of Schedule 4 to the Health and Social Care Act 2012 (c. 7).
- (b) By virtue of section 271(1) of the National Health Service Act 2006, the powers conferred by these sections are exercisable by the Secretary of State in relation to England only.
- (c) The General Dental Services Statement of Financial Entitlement Directions 2013 signed on 28th March 2013 were amended by the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2014 signed on 16th April 2014, the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2015 signed on 30th July 2015, the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2016 signed on 16th May 2016, the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2017 signed on 9th February 2017, the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2017 signed on 31st July 2017, the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2018 signed on 15th November 2018, the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2019 signed on 7th October 2019, the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2020 signed on 1st December 2020, the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Directions 2021 signed on 12th March 2021, the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2021 signed on 10th January 2022, the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Foundation Training Amendments) Directions 2022 signed on 31st March 2022 and the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No.2) Directions 2022 signed on 23rd December 2022. Hard copies of these documents can be obtained by writing to Dental and Eye Care Services, Department of Health and Social Care, 4th Floor, 39 Victoria Street, London SW1H 0EU.

“the PDS SFE” means the Personal Dental Services Statement of Financial Entitlement Directions 2013(a).

## PART 2

### Amendments to the GDS SFE

- 3.—(1) The GDS SFE is amended as follows.
- (2) In Section 2 (Negotiated Annual Contract Values) for paragraph 2.7 (annual contract value adjustment) substitute—
- “2.7. The percentage determined by the Secretary of State for the financial year commencing on 1st April 2023 is 5.13%.”.
- (3) In Section 7 (payments in respect of foundation training)—
- (a) in paragraphs 7.2(b)(ii), 7.4(b)(v) and 7.5(b) for “£3,024” substitute “£3,206”;
- (b) in paragraph 7.5(a), for “£920” substitute “£975”.
- (4) In Section 8 (payments in respect of maternity, paternity and adoption leave), in each paragraphs 8.14A and 8.14B (calculation of the amount of parental leave payments)(b), for “£156.66” substitute “£172.48”.

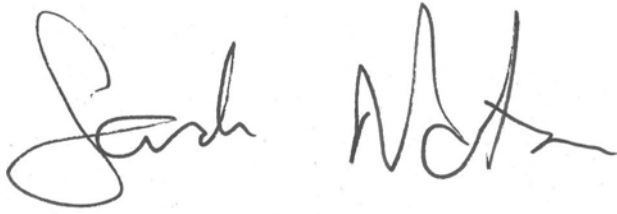
## PART 3

### Amendments to the PDS SFE

- 4.—(1) The PDS SFE is amended as follows.
- (2) In Section 2 (Negotiated Annual Agreement Values) for paragraph 2.9 (annual contract value adjustment) substitute—
- “2.9. The percentage determined by the Secretary of State for the financial year commencing on 1st April 2023 is 5.13%.”.
- (3) In Section 7 (payments in respect of foundation training)—
- (a) in paragraphs 7.2(b)(ii), 7.4(b)(v) and 7.5(b) for “£3,024” substitute “£3,206”;
- (b) in paragraph 7.5(a), for “£920” substitute “£975”.
- (4) In Section 8 (payments in respect of maternity, paternity and adoption leave) in paragraphs 8.14A and 8.14B (calculation of the amount of parental leave payments)(a), in each place it occurs, for “£156.66” substitute “£172.48”.

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- (a) The Personal Dental Services Statement of Financial Entitlement Directions 2013 signed on 28th March 2013 were amended by the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2014 signed on 16th April 2014, the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2015 signed on 30th July 2015, the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2016 signed on 16th May 2016, the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2017 signed on 9th February 2017, the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2017 signed on 31st July 2017, the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2018 signed on 15th November 2018, the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2019 signed on 7th October 2019, the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2020 signed on 1st December 2020, the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Directions 2021 signed on 12th March 2021, the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2021 signed on 10th January 2022, the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Foundation Training Amendments) Directions 2022 signed on 31st March 2022 and the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No.2) Directions 2022 signed on 23rd December 2022. Hard copies of these documents can be obtained by writing to Dental and Eye Care Services, Department of Health and Social Care, 4th Floor, 39 Victoria Street, London SW1H 0EU.
- (b) Paragraphs 8.14A and 8.14B were inserted into the General Dental Services Statement of Financial Entitlements 2013 by direction 3 of the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2017 signed on 9th February 2017.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sarah Norton', with a stylized, cursive script.

Date: 5 October 2023

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Department of Health and Social Care

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(a) Paragraphs 8.14A and 8.14B were inserted into the Personal Dental Services Statement of Financial Entitlements 2013 by direction 5 of the Primary Dental Services Statements of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) Directions 2017 signed on 9th February 2017.